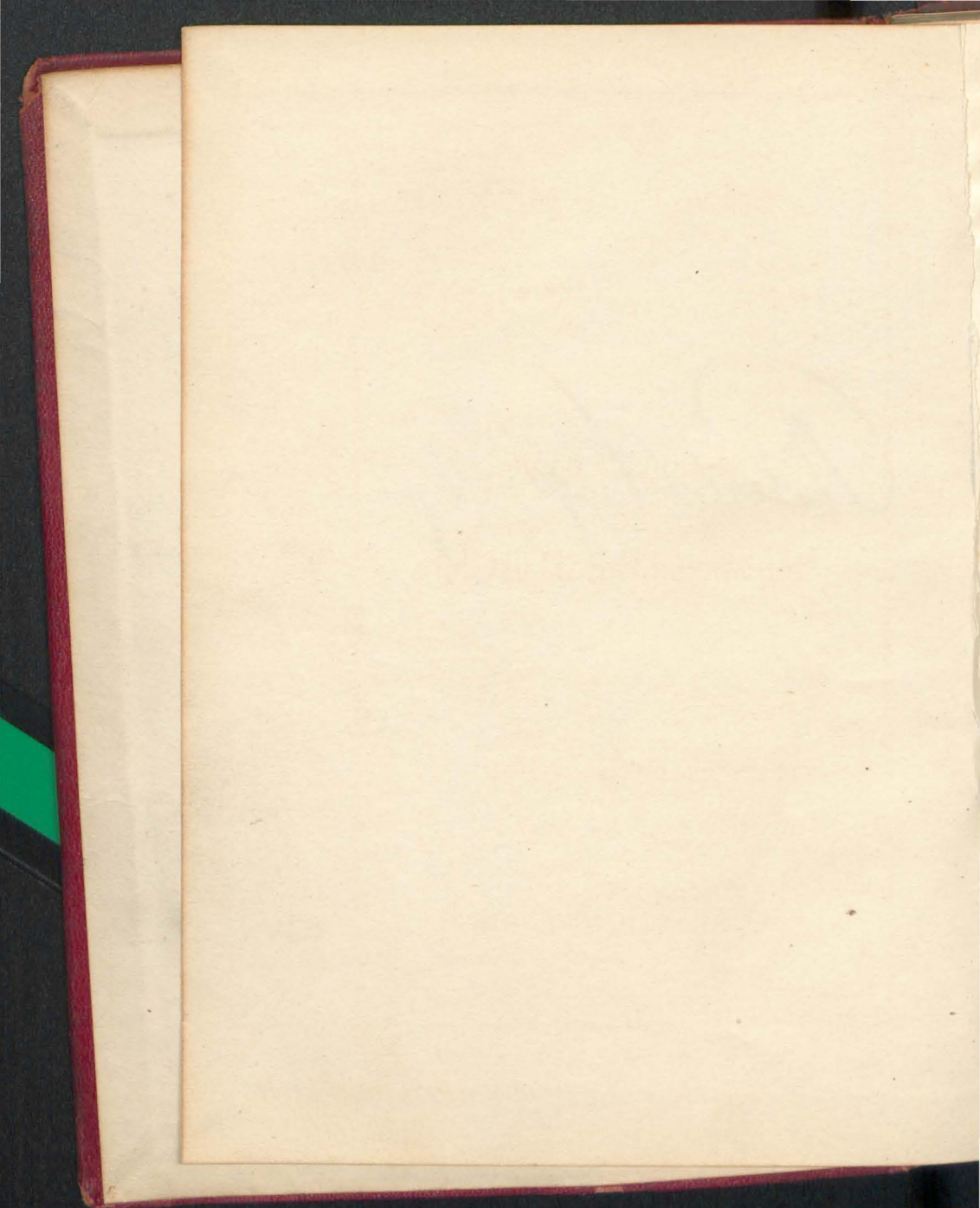


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Name.

SECTION 1. This Association shall be called the National League of Professional Base Ball Clubs.

Objects.

SEC. 2. The objects of this League are:

1. To immortalize base ball as the national game of the United States.
2. To surround it with such safeguards as to warrant absolute public confidence in its integrity and methods.
3. To protect and promote the mutual interests of professional base ball clubs and professional base ball players, and
4. To establish and regulate the professional base ball championship of the United States.

Membership.

SEC. 3. This League shall consist of eight clubs (the membership shall not be increased or diminished except by unanimous consent of the League), located in and representing the following cities, to wit: Boston, New York, Brooklyn, Philadelphia, Pittsburg, Cincinnati, St. Louis and Chicago, and in no event shall there be more than one club in any city.

Withdrawal from Membership.

SEC. 4. Any club member of the League unable to meet the obligations it has assumed may ask the League for permission to dispose of its rights and franchises as a member of the League in that city to some other corporation. In the event of this League giving its consent to the transfer

of membership from one company to another it must be understood that the new member shall assume with the franchise and rights of the retiring company all the liabilities, responsibilities and obligations entered into by the retiring company. It must also be understood by the retiring and new company that the company retiring shall not be relieved or released from any contract or obligation entered into by it to this League until all of said contracts and obligations have been fully paid and determined by the company accepting its membership, rights and franchises.

Admission to Membership.

SEC. 5. A company to be admitted to membership in this League must first deliver to the Secretary of the League a written application signed by its President and Secretary, accompanied by documents showing that such company is regularly organized, chartered and officered, and is prepared to fully comply with the provisions of Section 4 of this Constitution. Such application shall at once be transmitted by the Secretary to the Board of Directors, who shall immediately investigate and report upon said application, said report to be communicated to the League through the Secretary.

SEC. 6. The voting upon an application for membership shall be by ballot, a three-fourths vote being requisite for election.

In Regard to Vacancies.

SEC. 7. In case a vacancy occurs in the membership of this organization during the championship season, the President shall nominate to all the clubs all applications for membership; and the vote thereon may be taken by telegraph or mail, as occasion may require, and a majority of all the clubs will be required to admit any applicant to membership. Such membership, however, shall continue only until the next annual meeting, but such club shall be subject to all the rules and requirements of this organization.

Termination of Membership.

SEC. 8. The membership of any club may be terminated:

1. By resignation duly accepted by a three-fourths vote of all clubs in meeting duly convened as provided in Section 4.

2. By failure to present its nine at the time and place agreed upon to play any championship game, unless caused by unavoidable accident in traveling.

3. By allowing open betting or pool selling upon its grounds or in any building owned or occupied by it.

4. By playing any game of ball with a club that is disqualified or ineligible under this Constitution.

5. By offering, agreeing, conspiring or attempting to lose any game of ball; or failing to immediately expel any player who shall be proven guilty of offering, agreeing, conspiring or attempting to lose any game of ball, or of being interested in any pool or wager thereon.

6. By disbandment of its organization or club team during the championship season.

7. By failing or refusing to fulfill its contractual obligations.

8. By failing or refusing to comply with any lawful requirement of the Board of Directors.

9. By wilfully violating any provision of this Constitution, or the legislation or playing rules made in pursuance thereof, or any violation of the provisions of the National Agreement.

The Expulsion of Clubs.

SEC. 9. To carry into effect the provisions of Section 8 of this Constitution, the facts in any case covered by such section must be reported to the Secretary of the League, who shall at once notify by mail or telegraph the party charged with the specified default or offense, and inquire whether any dispute exists as to the facts alleged. In case the facts are disputed, the Board shall, after due notice, try the case under such regulations as they may prescribe; and their finding shall be final and conclusive on all parties except in case of expulsion, when such finding shall be forwarded to each club, which shall transmit to the Secretary written ballots "For Expulsion" or "Against Expulsion"; and if seven clubs vote "For Expulsion" the Secretary shall notify all clubs of the forfeiture of membership of the party charged.

Dues and Assessments.

SEC. 10. 1. Each club shall pay to the Secretary, on or before the first day of April of each year, the sum of \$100.00 as annual dues; and such other sums as from time to time may be assessed for the payment of salaries of officers and umpires, and for such other expenses as may be incurred by order of this League or the Board of Directors. Also all fines and penalties imposed by said League or its Board of Directors upon a club or upon any club officer, player,

manager, scorer, or other employe when so levied and imposed by virtue of, and in accordance with, the provisions of this Constitution and the Playing Rules of this League.

2. Upon conviction of any of the offenses prescribed in Section 8 as causes for expulsion, the Board of Directors may, in the first instance, as a preliminary to, or in lieu of expulsion, impose such a fine as is in their judgment commensurate with the injury; which fine may include a penalty payable to any other club or clubs as an equivalent for damages sustained for such violation of this Constitution, or of the legislation or contracts made in pursuance thereof.

Officers.

SEC. 11. At its annual meeting the League shall elect a President and a Secretary-Treasurer and Board of Directors. The President shall be ex-officio Chairman of the Board of Directors. He shall report to the Board of Directors any violation of the provisions of this Constitution that may come to his knowledge. He shall be the sole interpreter of the Playing Rules during the championship season. He shall preside at all the meetings of the League, and at the annual meeting of the League shall act as schedule committee, unless said meeting shall otherwise direct.

Should the office of the President become vacant by death, resignation, or removal, the Board of Directors shall, within thirty days thereafter, elect a President. The office of President and Secretary-Treasurer may be held by the same person.

The Secretary's Duties.

SEC. 12. The Secretary shall be the Treasurer of the League, and as such shall be the custodian of all funds of the League, receive all dues, fees and assessments, which shall be placed to the credit of the Treasurer in some bank of deposit to meet current expenses. He shall make such payments as shall be ordered by the Board or by the vote of the League, and render annually a report of his accounts; and he shall give such bond, with approval sureties, as the Board may require.

SEC. 13. The Secretary shall have the custody and care of the official records and papers of the League; shall keep a true stenographic record of all meetings of the League and the Board; shall issue all official notices, and attend to the necessary correspondence; he shall also prepare and furnish such reports as may be called for by the Board,

and shall be entitled to such books, stationery, blanks and materials as the actual duties of his office may require.

SEC. 14. The Secretary shall keep a record of all infraction of the rules and regulations of the League that may come under his notice, and shall make a report on the same to the Board at its next meeting.

SEC. 15. The Secretary shall receive such salary as the Board by vote shall determine, and shall be reimbursed for all traveling expenses actually incurred by him in the service of the League; and the Board may exact from him such guarantees for the faithful performance of his duties as they would deem for the interest and safety of the League. At the expiration of his term of office he shall account for, and deliver up to the Board; all the property and papers which may have come into his hands by virtue of his office.

SEC. 16. The Board of Directors shall consist of the President and four other members, to be chosen at the annual meeting by ballot, two of whom shall represent the Eastern clubs and two the Western clubs.

SEC. 17. In case of vacancy in the Board by reason of the death, resignation, absence, or disqualification of any Director, the club of which he was a member, at the time he was chosen, shall designate his successor, and at once notify the Secretary. But if such vacancy is caused by the withdrawal, disbanding, or disqualification of a club represented on the Board, the Board may fill the vacancy by election in the same manner as provided for the election of Directors in Section 11.

Qualification of Directors.

SEC. 18. No person shall be qualified to act as Director who is not an actual member of the club he represents; nor shall any club under any circumstances, be represented by more than one person on the Board of Directors; nor shall any Director sit in the trial of a cause in which his club is interested.

SEC. 19. The Board shall meet annually on the morning of the second Tuesday in December, at 12 o'clock noon, at the place where the annual meeting of the League is to be held, but may hold special meetings upon the call of the President or two members of the Board, whenever urgent necessity may require.

SEC. 20. The Board shall prepare a detailed report of all their doings, and present the same in writing to the

League at its annual meeting; which report shall, if accepted, be filed with the Secretary, together with all official papers, documents and property which may have come into their possession by virtue of their office.

SEC. 21. The Board shall have a general supervision and management of all the affairs, and business of the League, including the award of the championship and such other duties expressedly or impliedly conferred upon them by this Constitution, or by legislation made in pursuance thereof. It shall be the sole and exclusive tribunal for the trial of managers or players for any violation of this Constitution or of the playing rules or other rules of discipline, unless the League by a three-fourths vote of its club membership, shall otherwise direct. It shall be the sole and exclusive tribunal to hear and determine disputes between clubs, complaints by a club against the manager or player of another club, or by a manager or player against his own club, or an appeal by a player against fine, suspension or expulsion by his own club, or complaint by the President of the League against a club for failure to comply with Constitution requirements, and generally for the adjudication of all issues of law or fact arising out of this Constitution, the Playing Rules and other legislation made in pursuance thereof.

SEC. 22. The Board shall adopt such regulations and such rules of procedure for the hearing and determination of all disputes and complaints brought before them. Where such dispute is in relation to a game alleged to have been played in violation of this Constitution or of the Playing Rules, the complaint and accompanying proofs must be filed within five days after the date of said game with the President of the Board, who shall send a copy of the same to the other clubs, with orders to file its answer within five days thereafter. The President of the Board shall in the first instance decide the dispute on its merits and forthwith communicate his decision to both clubs, either of which may within five days appeal from said decision to the full Board. Said decision, together with all other documents and proofs, shall thereupon be transmitted for a mail vote to the different members of the Board. The finding of the Board shall be final, and under no circumstances shall be reconsidered, reopened or inquired into, either by the League or any subsequent Board.

SEC. 23. The Board shall at once consider any complaint preferred by a club against a manager or player of

another club (prior to the expiration of the championship season) for conduct in violation of any provision of this Constitution, or prejudicial to the good repute of the game of base ball; and shall have power to require the club, to which such player or manager may belong, to discipline him, and upon repetition of such offense to expel him. Provided, that such complaint be preferred in writing, giving such particulars as may enable the Board to ascertain all the facts, and such particulars shall be transmitted to the Secretary, by whom it shall at once be referred to the Board.

SEC. 24. In case a player, under contract with a League club, shall, during a current season, prefer a complaint in writing to the Secretary of the League against such a club, alleging that such club is in arrears to him for salary for more than fifteen days after such salary became due on account of such contract, the Secretary shall at once transmit to the said club a copy of such complaint, and require an answer thereto. On receipt of such answer, or if five days shall have elapsed without receipt of an answer, the Secretary shall refer the papers in the case to the Board of Directors, and should the Board find the player's complaint sustained, they shall require the club, under penalty of forfeiture of its membership, to pay to the player forthwith the full amount ascertained to be due him. Provided, that should the player refuse to serve the club pending action by the Board on his complaint, he will thereby forfeit the benefits of the award, and in such case the Board shall revoke his award.

SEC. 25. The Board shall promptly hear an appeal made by any person who shall have been expelled, suspended or disciplined by his club, except in cases of expulsion as provided in Section 38. Such person shall, within thirty days after the date of the expulsion, suspension or discipline, file with the Secretary a written statement of his defense, accompanied by a request that an appeal be allowed him. The Secretary shall notify the club of the request for an appeal, accompanying such notice with a copy of the appeal; and at the next meeting of the Board the club, by its duly authorized representative, and the appellant in person, by attorney or by written statement, shall appear before the Board with their testimony. The Board shall impartially hear the matter and render their decision, which shall be final and forever binding on both club and player.

SEC. 26. Any player under contract or reservation who may consider himself unjustly treated or wronged by his

club shall have the right to submit his case to the President of the League, who shall, after soliciting evidence concerning the matter, present the same to the Board for hearing, recommendation or adjudication. The Board shall have authority to impose any just fine or pecuniary penalty on a club, a manager or a player, if warranted by their findings and decisions, and they may impose the expenses of trials and hearings on one or both parties to the controversy. But such fine, penalty and expenses may be remitted by a three-fourths vote of the League upon appeal duly made and heard at an annual or special meeting.

Individual Club Control.

SEC. 27. Each club shall have the right to regulate its own affairs, to establish its own rules and to discipline, punish, suspend or expel its own manager, players or other employes, and these powers shall not be limited to cases of dishonest play or open insubordination, but shall include all questions of carelessness, indifference or other conduct of the player that may be regarded by the club as prejudicial to its interest, and not in conflict with any provision of this Constitution, or the Playing Rules of this League.

Punishment of Scandalous Conduct.

SEC. 28. The President of the League shall have power, upon proper proof, to suspend for a definite period and to impose a fine not exceeding \$200 upon any League manager or player guilty, in public, of gross misbehavior, including intoxication, fighting, quarreling, indecency or other scandalous conduct, whether on or off the playing field, during the season, where the same is, in his opinion, calculated to bring disrepute upon the National League or National Game. Such fine can only be remitted by the Board of Directors after a hearing upon appeal duly prosecuted.

Club Territorial Rights.

SEC. 29. Every club of this League shall have exclusive control of the city in which it is located, and of the territory surrounding such city, to the extent of five miles in every direction from its corporate limits, and no visiting League club shall, under any circumstances, be allowed to play any club in such territory other than the League club therein located, without the consent of the local League club.

Reservation of Players.

SEC. 30. Each club a member of this League shall be entitled to the right of reservation. On or before the 20th day of September in each year each club shall transmit to the Secretary a reserve list of the players whose services it desires to retain for the ensuing season, and who are then under contract to the said club for the current or for any succeeding season or seasons, and in addition thereto the names of such players reserved in any prior annual list who have refused to contract with said club. Such players, together with all others thereafter to be regularly contracted with, namely, players who have been secured by purchase or draft under the National Agreement for future services shall be ineligible to contract with any other club in this League except as hereinafter provided. No club shall have the right to reserve any player when in arrears of salary to him. The Secretary shall promulgate such lists on or before September 25th of each year.

Negotiating for Services.

SEC. 31. No player, without the consent of the club with which he is under contract or reservation, shall enter into negotiations with any other club for future services.

Contracts.

SEC. 32. Contracts made between a club and its players may be either by telegram or writing, to be followed within ten days thereafter by a contract in the form approved and promulgated by the Secretary to all the clubs of the League.

SEC. 33. The League shall adopt such form of contract as it may deem best for the protection of the rights of the parties thereto. All contracts must be approved by the Secretary and duly promulgated by him. Whenever a club releases a player, immediate notice must be given the President of the League, who shall, at once, notify all clubs of such release and for a period of ten days after such notice by the President, any other club of the League shall have the right to claim the player released and negotiate for his services and the player shall be ineligible to contract with a club of another League. Provided, however, that when a club desires to release a player out of the League, such club shall notify the President of the Na-

tional League, who shall immediately notify all other National League clubs of such desire. Failure of a club to notify the President of its waiver within ten days will operate as a legal waiver. If, however, a club of this League refuses, in writing, to waive claim, then the following rule shall apply: If the player sought to be released out of the League is a purchased player, or otherwise acquired save by draft, the President of the League shall fix the price to be paid by the club refusing to waive claim, with this proviso; that the amount so fixed shall not exceed \$1,000. If the player be a drafted player, then the drafting price shall be paid. In cases where two or more clubs refuse to waive claim, the claims of the clubs shall be determined by lot by the President of the League. In all cases, however, the club asking for the waiver shall have the privilege of retaining the player sought to be disposed of, if it so desires.

Suspension and Expulsion of Players.

SEC. 34. Any player, while under contract with, or reservation by, a League club, who shall without the consent of such club, enter the service of any other club in any capacity, shall be liable to expulsion by said League club. Whenever a club suspends or expels a manager or player, that club shall at once notify the Secretary of this League, stating the date when the same takes effect, and in case of suspension or expulsion, the cause thereof.

SEC. 35. No manager or player, who has been suspended or expelled from a League club, shall at any time thereafter be allowed to play with, or serve in any capacity, any League club (either the one expelling him or any other) unless the term of suspension by the club has expired, or upon his appeal to this League, such expulsion or suspension shall have been set aside.

Effect of Club Disbandment.

SEC. 36. The disbandment of a League club, or its withdrawal from or loss of League membership, shall operate as a release of its players from contract and reservation with said club, but the right to contract with and reserve said players shall revert to the League, and they shall be subject to transfer to such other club as the League may designate after acceptance of their said services.

Playing with Outside Clubs.

SEC. 37. No game of base ball shall be played between a League club and any other club that has been expelled from membership in this League. No game of ball shall be played between a League club and any other club employing or presenting in its nine a player expelled, or under suspension from the League, or otherwise rendered ineligible by this League or a club member thereof.

Crookedness and its Penalties.

SEC. 38. Any person who shall be proven guilty of offering, agreeing, conspiring or attempting to cause any game of ball to result otherwise than on its merits under the Playing Rules, shall be forever disqualified by the President of the League from acting as umpire, manager, player or in any other capacity in any game of ball participated in by a League club.

Umpires.

SEC. 39. A staff of League umpires shall be selected by the Secretary before the opening of the regular season.

1. Applicant for the position of umpire must state age, residence, experience, habits and such other qualifications as may be prescribed on forms prepared by the Secretary, which must have the endorsement of those who from skilled and personal knowledge can recommend the applicant for the position.

Independent of such endorsements, however, the Secretary shall make inquiries and inform himself, as far as practicable, as to the merits and qualifications of each applicant.

2. They shall be paid such salaries and allowed such expenses as may be mutually agreed upon by contract between them and the Secretary of the League, subject to the approval of the Board of Directors of the League.

But at least ten per cent. of current salaries shall be withheld by the Secretary until the termination of his contract for that season to secure such deductions for absences and the payment of such fines as may be lawfully imposed.

3. In the event of the failure of an umpire to umpire a game assigned to him it shall be the duty of the Secretary to provide a substitute to umpire such game; and in such case there shall be deducted from the next payment to the umpire the sum of twelve dollars for each game as-

signed to him, which for any reason he shall have failed to umpire.

4. It shall be the duty of each League club to accept as umpire for any championship game such umpire or substitute as the Secretary shall assign to such game. In the event of the non-appearance of the League umpire or substitute at the hour appointed for the beginning of the game each club captain shall then select one of the substitute players of the opposing club, and the two players thus selected shall be the duly authorized umpires for that game.

5. It shall be the duty of umpires to enforce the rules as they are written, regardless of personal opinion as to their merits, subject to the Secretary's instructions as to their proper interpretation. They shall familiarize themselves with these sections of the Constitution, obey all orders of the Secretary, assigning their services and wear such uniform on the playing field as he may designate.

Supervision of Umpires.

SEC. 40. All complaints against umpires shall be submitted in writing or by telegraph to the President, who shall take such steps as he may deem proper (governed by the gravity of the charges) to ascertain as to the competency of the umpire complained of and to verify, if possible, by his own personal observation as to his merits or demerits. If the complaint be for a wilful violation of this Constitution, or of the Playing Rules or for neglect or refusal to enforce any of said rules or for any improper or ungentlemanly language or conduct while officiating as an umpire, and if upon investigation it be substantiated, the President shall have the right to fine, remove, suspend or expel the offender, as in his judgment the offense may justify.

Committees.

SEC. 41. At each annual meeting of the League the President shall appoint a committee of three on Playing Rules, a committee of three on Schedule and a committee of three on Constitutional Amendments.

The Championship.

SEC. 42. The Championship of the United States, established by this League, shall be contended for yearly by the clubs composing the League.

SEC. 43. The championship season shall extend from

such date in April or May to such date in September or October as the League may determine at its stated or special meeting.

SEC. 44. Every game played between two clubs from the commencement of the championship season to the completion of the championship series between such clubs shall be a game for the championship, and no League club shall lend or exchange players to or with each other for any game played during the championship season. Any violation of this section shall subject each offender to a fine of \$100.

SEC. 45. Each club shall play twelve or more championship games with every other club; but a tie or draw game or a game prevented by rain or other causes shall be played off on the same ground on the next or a succeeding date of the same or subsequent series, whether open or scheduled for another game between the same clubs, thus compelling double games for said schedule date. If, however, both series shall have terminated, such postponed game must be played off on the ground of the other club on a date open or scheduled during a subsequent series between the same clubs.

SEC. 46. Each club shall have half of the championship series of games with every other club played on its grounds, except as otherwise provided in Section 45; and in all the details of such games, that do not involve the rights of the visiting club under the Playing Rules, but relate solely to such games as attractive exhibitions to the patrons of the home club, the visiting club shall defer to the wishes of the home club; provided, nevertheless, that the home club shall not be permitted to change the usual hour for the commencement of scheduled games in its particular city more than thirty (30) minutes without first having obtained the consent of the visiting club thereto, under a penalty to the visiting club of \$500. The visiting club shall furnish to a person designated by the home club the batting order of its nine by 10 o'clock on the morning of the day of each game, or the evening previous, if requested. In case of the failure of any visiting club to furnish the batting order of its nine as herein stipulated, it shall forfeit the sum of \$10, which amount shall be immediately transmitted to the Secretary of the League, upon the receipt of notice from him of the infliction of such fine, which notice shall be given by the Secretary upon receipt of complaint from the home club.

It shall be the duty of the home club to furnish the

manager and captain of the visiting club with a list of the batting order before the commencement of the game under similar penalties for default as herein prescribed. The visiting club shall have the right to practice its nine on the grounds of the home club between 11 and 12 o'clock A. M. on each day of its visit during the championship season.

The Championship Schedule.

SEC. 47. All championship games shall be arranged in a written schedule prepared by the Schedule Committee, and reported to and adopted by the League by a three-fourths vote before the beginning of the championship season. The schedule shall provide for an equal number of return games, and shall specify the date of each game and the date of each series of games. No date in said schedule shall subsequently be changed, except (1) by written agreement of two clubs from a date fixed by the schedule for a game between such clubs to an open date on the same ground; or (2) as provided in Section 45; or (3) by the written consent of three-fourths of all the League clubs.

Any club or clubs violating this section shall be amenable to a penalty of \$1,000. Said penalty to be paid within forty-eight hours to the Treasurer of the League, or if not so paid to be withheld from any funds to their credit in the hands of the Treasurer. All games played in violation of this section shall not count in the championship series.

The Admission Fees and Receipts.

SEC. 48. The general admission fee to all championship games shall be fifty (50) cents, but each club shall designate a part of its grounds, and provide seats thereon, the admission fee to which shall be twenty-five (25) cents, and all division of percentages shall be made on the basis of fifty (50) cents, except as to that part of the grounds the admission fee to which is fixed at twenty-five (25) cents, and as to such part of said grounds all divisions of percentage shall be on the basis of twenty-five (25) cents.

At the conclusion of each championship game the home club shall deliver to the manager of the visiting club (and shall transmit by mail to the President or other designated officials of the visiting club a duplicate of the same) a statement of the receipts of said game, which must include all fifty-cent and twenty-five cent admissions, and shall pay to the visiting club fifty per centum of said receipts.

The Ball Park.

SEC. 49. Each park shall be provided with a sufficient number of exits and entrances (not exceeding four) for the accommodation of the public, and a separate entrance shall be maintained for the convenience of the press representatives and those entitled to the courtesies of the grounds.

1. Additional entrances may be opened upon holidays, but for such days the visiting club shall be given at least ten days' notice of the whole number and their location.

2. Emergency gates may be opened at any time by consent of the visiting club, if occasion requires.

The Turnstile Count.

SEC. 50. The number of persons admitted to the grounds shall be determined by the use of the necessary number of self-registering turnstiles, the arms of which shall extend within four inches of a dividing partition, the keys of which shall be delivered to the agent of the visiting club before the opening of the grounds for each game; and said agent of the visiting club shall have full access to such turnstile, and the box of such turnstile shall not be removed until after the close of the seventh inning, and in case a carriage gate is used a ticket for each person admitted through such gate shall at once be delivered to the agent of the visiting club. The visiting club shall have the right to accept the turnstile count for each and all games, or to count all tickets. Each club shall be required to use for its business substantial pasteboard tickets, which can be readily counted.

Special Entrance.

SEC. 51. No person shall be admitted free to a championship game, except players and officers of contesting clubs, umpires, policemen in uniform, necessary employees of the home club, representatives of the press and such invited guests as the President of the home club may deem proper to recognize, all of whom must pass through a self-registering turnstile at the special entrance provided for the press, and said turnstile shall be subject to the same right of inspection by the visiting club that is provided in all other entrances.

1. It shall be the duty of the President of the League to inspect all ball parks from time to time, and to report to the Board of Directors any failure to comply with this or any other section of the Constitution.

Stopping Play to Catch Trains.

SEC. 52. On any day when either club is required to leave a city to, or in order to reach another city in time, where it is scheduled to play its next game, the home club shall be compelled, upon proper notice by the visiting club, to begin the game three hours and a half before the time of the departure of the last train by means of which either club can reach next scheduled point in time. And either club may leave the field at any time within one hour of said train time without forfeiting any rights or privileges, provided five innings on each side have been played, and the umpire shall be the sole judge of the time.

Giving out Admission Checks.

SEC. 53. In the event of a game being stopped by rain or declared forfeited before completion of five innings, the home club may issue admission checks good for the next succeeding game. If such checks are so issued, the visiting club shall not be entitled to its percentage of receipts; but if such checks are not issued the visiting club shall be entitled to its percentage of receipts, precisely as if the game had been fully played.

Forfeited Games.

SEC. 54. A club shall be entitled to forfeited games—to count in its series as games won by a score of nine runs to none—in case where the umpire in any championship game shall award the game to such club on account of the violation by the contesting club of any section of this Constitution or of any playing rules. In the event of a forfeiture for any reason, the forfeiting club shall incur such penalty not exceeding one thousand dollars as may be imposed by the Board of Directors after a hearing held within one week from the date of such game, and any damages suffered by the non-offending club shall be paid out of such penalty. In addition to the penalty above referred to, the captain or manager, or the person in charge of the offending team and responsible for the team leaving the field, shall incur a penalty of one hundred dollars, which shall be paid within five days to the Secretary of the League, said penalty not to be remitted under any circumstances. In case such penalties are not paid within ten days after being imposed, the club and player cannot participate in a championship game.

Drawn Games.

SEC. 55. Drawn, tie and postponed games shall not count in the series as games (but any game of not less than five innings shall be included in the averages), but must be played off, if possible, as provided in Section 45. If they cannot be played off, as therein provided, they may subsequently be played off, if sufficient time exists before the close of the season.

Double games for one admission shall not be permitted unless previously scheduled as such or rendered compulsory by the playing off of postponed games, as provided in Section 45.

Winning the Pennant.

SEC. 56. The club which shall have won the greatest percentage of games in the championship series, shall be declared the champion club of the United States, for the season in which such games were played. In the event that two or more clubs shall have won the same percentage of games, then the Board shall at once arrange a special series of three games between any two of such clubs, such games to be played at the close of the championship season, and the games so played shall be included in the championship record, and counted in determining the award of the championship. In such case only the provisions of this Constitution prohibiting the playing or recording as championship games, games played after the expiration of the championship season, shall have no effect. The emblem of the championship shall be a pennant (of the National colors) to cost not less than one hundred dollars (\$100). It shall be inscribed with the motto, "Champion Base Ball Club of the United States," with the name of the club and the year in which the title was won, and the champion club shall be entitled to fly the pennant until the close of the ensuing year.

Deciding the Championship.

SEC. 57. The championship shall be decided in the following manner: Within twenty-four hours after every match game played for the championship, the home club shall prepare and forward to the Secretary of the League a statement containing the full score of the game, according to the system specified in the Playing Rules, together with the date, the place where played, the name of the clubs and umpire, provided that no tie or drawn game shall be considered a game for any purpose except the averages; and provided, further, that in any case where the

Secretary shall not receive the score of a championship game within five days after the playing of such game, the club whose duty it is to forward such score shall pay to the League the sum of \$2 as the penalty of such default.

At the close of the season the Secretary shall prepare a tabular statement of the games won and lost by each club, according to the statement so sent him, which statement shall be the sole evidence in the matter, and submit the same, with the statement so sent him, to the Board, which shall make the award in writing, and report the same to the League at its annual meeting.

In making the award the Board shall consider:

1. The tabular statement of the Secretary.
2. Forfeited games.
3. Games participated in by clubs which have withdrawn, disbanded or forfeited their membership without completing their championship series with all other League clubs, such games shall be counted to the following extent:

The Board shall ascertain the least number of championship games played by such club with any club remaining in the League, and shall from the first game participated in during the championship series by such retired club, count in the series of each League club a similar number of games, and all other games participated in by such retired club shall not be counted in the championship series. Provided, that if such retired club shall have failed to play at least one championship game with every League club, all games participated in by it shall be thrown out entirely.

Meetings.

SEC. 58. The annual meeting of the League shall be held on the second Tuesday in December of each year, at 2 o'clock P. M., and at such places as shall have been determined by a vote at the previous annual meeting.

SEC. 59. Special meetings may be called by the President of this League on his own option or on the written call of six clubs.

Club Representation.

SEC. 60. At such meeting each club shall be represented and shall be entitled to two representatives, and to have in addition thereto any of its officers or ex-officers present at such meetings; but no club shall be permitted to send as a representative any person under contract or engagement as a ball player or manager, and belonging to

the nine of said club in such capacity. They shall, if requested by any other club representative, present a certificate of their appointment duly attested by at least two officers of their club showing their authority to act, but no club shall have more than one vote.

Executive Session.

SEC. 61. This League may, upon a majority vote of its members, elect to go into executive session for the transaction of its business, and during such session no club shall be entitled to more than two representatives.

Quorum.

SEC. 62. A representation of a majority of clubs shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but a less number may adjourn from time to time until a quorum is obtained. When obtained it may be maintained by locking the doors of the meeting room, the appointment of doorkeepers and such other procedures usual in parliamentary bodies to maintain quorums and dispatch business.

Order of Business.

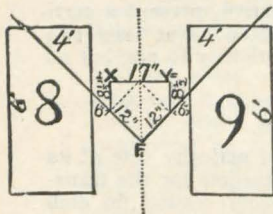
SEC. 63. The following shall be the order of business unless suspended by a three-fourths vote of the club members:

1. Reading minutes of last meeting.
2. Report of Board of Directors.
3. Report of Committees.
4. Election of new members.
5. Amendment of Constitution.
6. Adoption of Playing Rules.
7. Election of officers.
8. Miscellaneous business.
9. Adjournment.

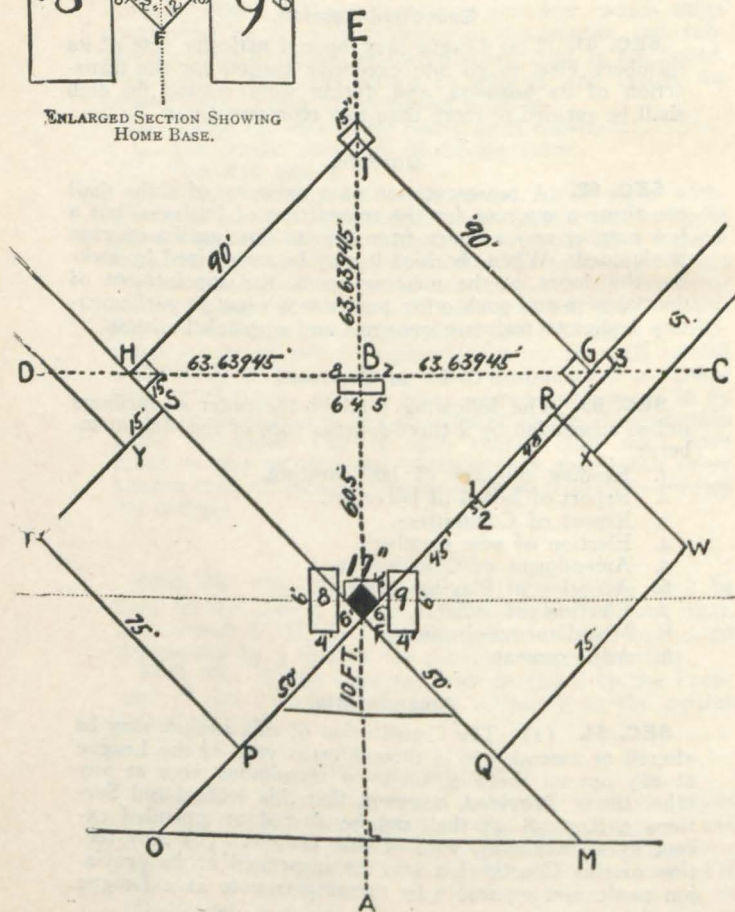
Amendments.

SEC. 64. (1) The Constitution of this League may be altered or amended by a three-fourths vote of the League at any annual meeting, or by a unanimous vote at any other time. Provided, however, that this section and Sections 3, 8, 9, 38, 48 shall not be altered or amended except by a unanimous vote of this League. (2) Any section of this Constitution may be suspended or its provision made non-applicable by unanimous vote at a League meeting.

CORRECT DIAGRAM OF A BALL FIELD



ENLARGED SECTION SHOWING
HOME BASE.



OFFICIAL PLAYING RULES OF PROFESSIONAL BASE BALL CLUBS

As adopted at the meeting of the Joint Playing Rules Committee of the
National League and the American League, held at National
League Headquarters, New York City, March 2, 1904.

The Ball Ground.

- RULE 1.** The ball ground must be enclosed and sufficient in size to permit the players of the team not at bat to be stationed at the positions respectively assigned to them by their captain. To obviate the necessity for ground rules, the shortest distance from a fence or stand on fair territory to the home base should be 235 feet and from home base to the grandstand, 90 feet.

To Lay Off the Field.

- RULE 2.** To lay off the lines defining the location of the several bases, the catcher's and the pitcher's position and establishing the boundaries required in playing the game of base ball, proceed as follows:

Diamond or Infield.

From a point, A, within the grounds, project a straight line out into the field, and at a point, B, 154 feet from point A, lay off lines B C and B D at right angles to the line A B; then, with B as a center and 63.63945 feet as a radius, describe arcs cutting the lines B A at F and B C at G, B D at H and B E at I. Draw lines F G, G E, E H, and H F, which said lines shall be the containing lines of the Diamond or Infield.

The Catcher's Lines.

- RULE 3.** With F as a center and 10 feet radius, describe an arc cutting line F A at L, and draw lines L M and L O at right angles to F A, and continue same out from F A not less than 10 feet.

The Foul Lines.

RULE 4. From the intersection point, F, continue the straight lines F G and F H until they intersect the lines L M and L O, and then from the points G and H in the opposite direction until they reach the boundary lines of the ground.

The Players' Lines.

RULE 5. With F as center and 50 foot radius, describe arcs cutting lines F O and F M at P and Q; then, with F as center again and 75 feet radius, describe arcs cutting F G and F H at R and S; then, from the points P, Q, R and S draw lines at right angles to the lines F O, F M, F G and F H, and continue the same until they intersect at the points T and W.

The Coacher's Lines.

RULE 6. With R and S as centers and 15 feet radius, describe arcs cutting the lines R W and S T at X and Y and from the points X and Y draw lines parallel with the lines F H and F G, and continue same out to the boundary lines of the ground.

The Three-Foot Line.

RULE 7. With F as a center and 45 feet radius, describe an arc cutting the line F G at 1, and from 1 to the distance of three feet draw a line at right angles to F G, and marked point 2; then from point 2, draw a line parallel with the line F G to a point three feet beyond the point G, marked 3; then from the point 3 draw a line at right angles to line 2, 3, back to and intersecting with F G, and from thence back along the line G F to point 1.

The Batsman's Lines.

RULE 8. On either side of the line A F B describe two parallelograms six feet long and four feet wide (marked 8 and 9), their longest side being parallel with the line A F B, their distance apart being six inches added to each end of the length of the diagonal of the square within the angle F, and the center of their length being on said diagonal.

The Pitcher's Plate.

RULE 9. SECTION 1. With point F as center and 60.5 feet as radius, describe an arc cutting the line F B at line 4, and draw a line 5, 6, passing through point 4 and extending 12 inches on either side of line F B; then with line 5, 6, as a side, describe a parallelogram 24 inches by 6 inches, in which shall be located the pitcher's plate.

SEC. 2. The pitcher's plate shall not be more than 15 inches higher than the base lines or the home plate, which shall be level with the surface of the field, and the slope from the pitcher's plate to every base line and the home plate shall be gradual.

The Bases.

RULE 10. SECTION 1. Within the angle F, describe a five-sided figure, two of the sides of which shall coincide with the lines F G and F H to the extent of 12 inches each, thence parallel with the line F B $8\frac{1}{2}$ inches to the points X and Y, a straight line between which, 17 inches, will form the front of the home base or plate.

SEC. 2. Within the angles at G, I and H describe squares, whose sides are 15 inches in length, two of such sides of which squares shall lie along the lines F G and G I, G I and I H, I H and H F, which squares shall be the location of the first, second and third bases respectively.

RULE 11. The Home Base at F and the Pitcher's Plate at 4 must each be of whitened rubber, and so fixed in the ground as to be even with its surface.

RULE 12. The First Base at G, the Second Base at E, and the Third Base at H must each be a white canvas bag filled with soft material and securely fastened in place at the point specified for it in Rule 10.

RULE 13. The lines described in Rules 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 must be marked with lime, chalk or other white material, easily distinguishable from the ground or grass.

The Ball.

RULE 14. **SECTION 1.** The ball must weigh not less than five nor more than five and one-quarter ounces avoirdupois, and measure not less than nine nor more than nine and one-quarter inches in circumference. The Spalding National League Ball or the Reach American League Ball must be used in all games played under these rules.

SEC. 2. Two regulation balls of the make adopted by the league of which the contesting clubs are members, shall be delivered by the home club to the umpire at or before the hour for the commencement of a championship game. If the ball first placed in play be batted or thrown out of the grounds or into one of the stands for spectators or in the judgment of the umpire, become unfit for play, from any cause, the umpire shall at once deliver the alternate ball to the pitcher and another legal ball shall be supplied to him, so that he shall at all times have in his control one or more alternate balls to substitute for the ball in play in any of the contingencies above set forth. Provided, however, that all balls batted or thrown out of the ground or into a stand, shall when returned to the field be given into the custody of the umpire immediately and become alternate balls and so long as he has in his possession two or more alternate balls, he shall not call for a new ball to replace a ball that has gone out of play. The alternate balls shall become the ball in play in the order in which they were delivered to the umpire.

SEC. 3. Immediately upon the delivery to him of the alternate ball by the umpire, the pitcher shall take his position and on the call of "Play," by the umpire, it shall become the ball in play. Provided, however, that play shall not be resumed with the alternate ball when a fair batted ball or a ball thrown by a fielder goes out of the ground or into a stand for spectators until the base-runners have completed the circuit of the bases unless compelled to stop at second or third base in compliance with a ground rule.

The Spalding League Ball has been adopted by the National League for the past twenty-eight years and readopted in 1902 for five years, and is used in all League contests.

For junior clubs (clubs composed of boys under 16 years of age) we recommend them to use the Spalding Boys' League Ball, and that games played by junior clubs with this ball will count as legal games the same as if played with the Official League Ball.

Discolored or Damaged Balls.

SEC. 4. The ball in play shall not be intentionally discolored by rubbing it with the soil or otherwise damaged. In the event of a new ball being intentionally discolored, or damaged by a player, the umpire shall upon appeal by the captain of the opposite side, forthwith demand the return of that ball and substitute for it another legal ball, as hereinbefore described, and impose a fine of \$5.00 on the offending player.

Home Club to Provide Balls.

SEC. 5. In every game the balls played with shall be furnished by the home club, and the last in play shall become the property of the winning club. Each ball shall be enclosed in a paper box, sealed with the seal of the Secretary of the League and bearing his certificate that he has examined, measured and weighed it and that it is of the required standard in all respects. The seal shall not be broken by the umpire except in the presence of the captains of the contesting teams after "Play" has been called.

Reserve Balls on Field.

SEC. 6. The home club shall have at least a dozen regulation balls on the field during each championship game, ready for use on the call of the umpire.

Unfit Ball for Play.

SEC. 7. Should the ball become ripped or in any way damaged so as to be, in the opinion of the umpire, unfit for use, he shall, upon appeal by either captain, at once call for a new ball and put the alternate ball into play.

The Bat.

The bat must be round, not over two and three-fourth inches in diameter at the thickest part, nor more than 42 inches in length and entirely of hardwood, except that for a distance of 18 inches from the end, twine may be wound around or a granulated substance applied to the handle.

Number of Players in a Game.

RULE 16. The players of each club, actively engaged in a game at one time, shall be nine in number, one of whom shall act as captain; and in no case shall more or less than nine men be allowed to play on a side in a game.

Positions of the Players.

RULE 17. The players may be stationed at any point of the field their captain may elect, regardless of their respective positions, except that the pitcher, while in the act of delivering the ball to the bat, must take his position as defined in Rules 9 and 30; and the catcher must be within the lines of his position as defined in Rule 3 and within 10 feet of home base, whenever the pitcher delivers the ball to the bat.

Must Not Mingle With Spectators.

RULE 18. Players in uniform shall not be permitted to occupy seats in the stands, or to mingle with the spectators.

Uniforms of Players.

RULE 19. Every club shall adopt two uniforms for its players, one to be worn in games at home and the other in games abroad, and the suits of each of the uniforms of a team shall conform in color and style. No player who shall attach anything to the sole or heel of his shoe other than the ordinary base ball shoe plate, or who shall appear in a uniform not conforming to the suits of the other members of his team, shall be permitted to take part in a game.

Size and Weight of Gloves.

RULE 20. The catcher or first baseman may wear a glove or mitt of any size, shape or weight. Every other player is restricted to the use of a glove or mitt weighing not over 10 ounces and measuring not over 14 inches around the palm.

Players' Benches.

RULE 21. SECTION I. Players' benches must be furnished by the home club and placed upon a portion of the ground not less than twenty-five (25) feet outside of the players' lines. One such bench shall be for the exclusive use of the visiting team and the other for the exclusive use of the home team. Each bench must be covered with a roof and closed at the back and each end; a space, however, not more than six (6) inches wide may be left under the roof for ventilation. All players and substitutes of the side at bat must be seated on their team's bench, except the batsman, base-

runners and such as are legally assigned to coach base-runners. Under no circumstances shall the umpire permit any person except the players and substitutes in uniform and the manager of the team entitled to its exclusive use to be seated on a bench.

Penalty for Violation.

SEC. 2. To enforce this rule the captain of the other side may call the attention of the umpire to its violation by his opponents, whereupon the umpire shall immediately order such player or players as have disregarded it to be seated. If the order be not obeyed within one minute the offending player or players shall be fined \$5.00 each by the umpire. If the order be not then obeyed within one minute, the offending player or players shall be debarred from further participation in the game, and shall be obliged to forthwith leave the playing field.

A Regulation Game.

RULE 22. Every championship game must be commenced not later than two hours before sunset and shall continue until each team has had nine innings, provided, however, that the game shall terminate:

(1) If the side first at bat scores less runs in nine innings than the other side has scored in eight innings.

(2) If the side last at bat in the ninth inning scored the winning run before the third man is out.

Extra-Inning Games.

If the score be a tie at the end of nine
RULE 23. (9) innings for each team, play shall be continued until one side has scored more runs than the other in an equal number of innings, provided, that if the side last at bat score the winning run before the third man is out in any inning after the ninth, the game shall terminate.

Drawn Games.

A drawn game shall be declared by the
RULE 24. umpire if the score is equal on the last even inning played when he terminates play on account of darkness, rain, fire, panic, or for other cause which puts patrons or players in peril, after five or more equal innings have been played by each team. But if the side that went second to bat is at the bat when the

game is terminated, and has scored the same number of runs as the other side, the umpire shall declare the game drawn without regard to the score of the last equal inning.

Called Games.

RULE 25. If the umpire call "Game" on account of darkness, rain, fire, panic, or other cause which puts patrons or players in peril, at any time after five innings have been completed, the score shall be that of the last equal innings played, but if the side second at bat shall have scored in an unequal number of innings, or before the completion of the unfinished inning, one or more runs than the side first at bat, the score of the game shall be the total number of runs each team has made.

Forfeited Games.

RULE 26. A forfeited game shall be declared by the umpire in favor of the club not in fault, at the request of such club, in the following cases:

SECTION 1. If the team of a club fail to appear upon the field, or being upon the field, refuse to begin a game for which it is scheduled or assigned, within five minutes after the umpire has called "Play" at the hour for the beginning of the game, unless such delay in appearing, or in commencing the game, be unavoidable.

SEC. 2. If, after the game has begun, one side refuse to continue to play, unless the game has been suspended or terminated by the umpire.

SEC. 3. If, after play has been suspended by the umpire, one side fail to resume playing in one minute after the umpire has called "Play."

SEC. 4. If a team employ tactics palpably designed to delay the game.

SEC. 5. If, after warning by the umpire, any one of the rules of the game be wilfully and persistently violated.

SEC. 6. If the order for the removal of a player, as authorized by Rules 21, 58 and 64, be not obeyed within one minute.

SEC. 7. If, because of the removal of players from the game by the umpire, or for any cause, there be less than nine players on either team.

SEC. 8. If, when two games are scheduled to be played in one afternoon, the second game be not commenced within ten minutes of the time of the completion of the

first game. The umpire of the first game shall be the timekeeper.

SEC. 9. In case the umpire declare the game forfeited, he shall transmit a written report thereof to the president of the League within twenty-four hours thereafter. However, a failure on the part of the umpire to so notify the president shall not affect the validity of his award of the game by forfeiture.

No Game.

RULE 27. "No game" shall be declared by the umpire if he terminates play on account of rain or darkness, fire, panic, or any other cause which puts the patrons or players in peril before five innings are completed by each team. Provided, however, that if the club second at bat shall have made more runs at the end of its fourth inning than the club first at bat has made in five completed innings of a game so terminated, the umpire shall award the game to the club having made the greater number of runs, and it shall count as a legal game in the championship record.

Substitutes.

RULE 28. SECTION 1. Each side shall be required to have present on the field during a championship game a sufficient number of substitute players in uniform, conforming to the suits worn by their team-mates, to carry out the provisions of this code which requires that not less than nine players shall occupy the field in any inning of the game.

SEC. 2. Any such substitute may at any stage of the game take the place of a player whose name is in his team's batting order, but the player whom he succeeds shall not thereafter participate in that game.

SEC. 3. A base-runner shall not have another player whose name appears in the batting order of his team run for him except by the consent of the captain of the other team.

Choice of Innings—Fitness of Field for Play.

RULE 29. The choice of innings shall be given to the captain of the home club, who shall be the sole judge of the fitness of the ground for beginning a game after a rain; but, after play has been called by the umpire, he alone shall be the judge as to the fitness of the ground for resuming play after the game has been suspended on account of rain.

THE PITCHING RULES.**Delivery of the Ball to the Bat.**

RULE 30. Preliminary to pitching, the pitcher shall take his position facing the batsman with both feet squarely on the ground and in front of the pitcher's plate; and in the act of delivering the ball to the bat he must keep one foot in contact with the pitcher's plate defined in Rule 9. He shall not raise either foot until in the act of delivering the ball to the bat, nor make more than one step in such delivery.

A Fairly Delivered Ball.

A fairly delivered ball is a ball pitched or thrown to the bat by the pitcher while standing in his position and facing the batsman that passes over any portion of the home base, not lower than the batsman's knee, nor higher than his shoulder. For every such fairly delivered ball the umpire shall call one strike.

An Unfairly Delivered Ball.

An unfairly delivered ball is a ball delivered to the bat by the pitcher while standing in his position and facing the batsman that does not pass over any portion of the home base between the batsman's shoulder and knee. For every unfairly delivered ball the umpire shall call one ball.

Delaying the Game.

RULE 33. SECTION 1. If, after the batsman be standing in his proper position ready to strike at a pitched ball, the ball be thrown by the pitcher to any player other than the catcher when in the catcher's lines and within 10 feet of the home base (except in an attempt to retire a base runner), each ball so thrown shall be called a ball.

SEC. 2. The umpire shall call a ball on the pitcher each time he delays the game by failing to deliver the ball to the batsman for a longer period than 20 seconds, excepting that at the commencement of each inning, or when a pitcher relieves another, the pitcher may occupy one minute in delivering not to exceed five balls to the catcher or an infielder, during which time play shall be suspended.

Balking.

A balk shall be:

RULE 34. SECTION 1. Any motion made by the pitcher while in position to deliver the ball to the bat without delivering it, or to throw to first base when occupied by a base runner without completing the throw.

SEC. 2. Throwing the ball by the pitcher to any base to catch the base runner without stepping directly toward such base in the act of making such throw.

SEC. 3. Any delivery of the ball to the bat by the pitcher while either foot is back of the pitcher's plate.

SEC. 4. Any delivery of the ball to the bat by the pitcher while he is not facing the batsman.

SEC. 5. Any motion in delivering the ball to the bat by the pitcher while not in the position defined by Rule 30.

SEC. 6. Holding of the ball by the pitcher so long as, in the opinion of the umpire, to unnecessarily delay the game.

SEC. 7. Making any motion to pitch while standing in his position without having the ball in his possession.

SEC. 8. Making any motion of the arm, shoulder, hip or body the pitcher habitually makes in his method of delivery, without immediately delivering the ball to the bat.

SEC. 9. Delivery of the ball to the bat when the catcher is standing outside the lines of the catcher's position as defined in Rule 3.

If the pitcher shall fail to comply with the requirements of any section of this rule, the umpire shall call a "balk."

Dead Ball.

A dead ball is a ball delivered to the bat by the pitcher, not struck at by the batsman, that touches any part of the batsman's person or clothing while standing in his position, or that before passing or getting beyond the control of the catcher touches any part of the clothing or person of the umpire while he is on foul ground.

Ball Not in Play.

In case of a foul strike, foul hit ball not legally caught, dead ball, or a fair hit ball touching a base runner, the ball shall not be considered in play until it be held by the pitcher standing in his position, and the umpire shall have called "Play."

Block Balls.

RULE 37. SECTION 1. A block is a batted or thrown ball that is touched, stopped or handled by a person not engaged in the game.

SEC. 2. Whenever a block occurs the umpire shall declare it, and base runners may run the bases without liability to be put out until the ball has been returned to and held by the pitcher in his position.

SEC. 3. If the person not engaged in the game should retain possession of a blocked ball, or throw or kick it beyond the reach of the fielders, the umpire shall call "Time" and require each base runner to stop at the base last touched by him until the ball be returned to the pitcher in his position and the umpire shall have called "Play."

THE BATTING RULES.**The Batsman's Position.**

RULE 38. Each player of the side at bat shall become the batsman and must take his position within the batsman's lines (as defined in Rule 8) in the order that his name appears in his team's batting list.

The Order of Batting.

RULE 39. The batting order of each team must be delivered before the game by its captain to the umpire who shall submit it to the inspection of the captain of the other side. The batting order delivered to the umpire must be followed throughout the game unless a player be substituted for another, in which case the substitute must take the place in the batting order of the retired player.

The First Batsman in an Inning.

RULE 40. After the first inning the first striker in each inning shall be the batsman whose name follows that of the last man who completed his "time at bat" in the preceding inning.

Players Belong on Bench.

RULE 41. When a side goes to the bat its players must immediately seat themselves on the bench assigned to them as defined in Rule 21, and remain there until their side is put out, except when called to the bat or to act as coaches or substitute base runners.

Reserved for Umpire, Catcher and Batsman.

RULE 42. No player of the side "at bat," except the batsman, shall occupy any portion of the space within the catcher's lines as defined in Rule 3. The triangular space back of the home base is reserved for the exclusive use of the umpire, catcher and batsman, and the umpire must prohibit any player of the side "at bat" from crossing the same at any time while the ball is in the hands of the pitcher or catcher or passing between them while standing in their positions.

Fielder Has Right of Way.

RULE 43. The players of the side at bat must speedily abandon their bench and hasten to another part of the field when by remaining upon or near it they or any of them would interfere with a fielder in an attempt to catch or handle a thrown ball.

THE BATTING RULES.**A Fair Hit.**

RULE 44. A fair hit is a legally batted ball that settles on fair ground between home and first base or between home and third base or that is on fair ground when bounding to the outfield past first or third base or that first falls on fair territory beyond first or third base or that touches the person of the umpire or a player while on fair ground.

A Foul Hit.

RULE 45. A foul hit is a legally batted ball that settles on foul territory between home and first base or home and third base, or that bounds past first or third base on foul territory or that falls on foul territory beyond first or third base or touches the person of the umpire or a player while on foul ground.

A Foul Tip.

RULE 46. A foul tip is a ball batted by the batsman while standing within the lines of his position, that goes sharp and direct from the bat to the catcher's hands and is legally caught.

A Bunt Hit.

RULE 47. A bunt hit is a legally batted ball, not swung at, but met with the bat and tapped slowly within the infield by the batsman with the expectation of reaching first base before the ball can be fielded to that base. If the attempt to bunt result in a foul, a strike shall be called by the umpire.

Balls Batted Outside the Ground.

RULE 48. **SECTION 1.** When a batted ball passes outside the ground or into a stand the umpire shall decide it fair or foul according to whether the point at which it leaves the playing field is on fair or foul territory.

SEC. 2. A fair batted ball that goes over the fence or into a stand shall entitle the batsman to a home run unless it should pass out of the ground or into a stand at a less distance than two hundred and thirty-five (235) feet from the home base, in which case the batsman shall be entitled to two bases only. The point at which a fence or stand is less than 235 feet from the home base shall be plainly indicated by a white or black sign or mark for the umpire's guidance.

Strikes.

A strike is:

RULE 49. **SECTION 1.** A pitched ball struck at by the batsman without its touching his bat; or,

SEC. 2. A fair ball legally delivered by the pitcher at which the batsman does not strike.

SEC. 3. A foul hit ball not caught on the fly unless the batsman has two strikes.

SEC. 4. An attempt to bunt which results in a foul.

SEC. 5. A pitched ball, at which the batsman strikes but misses and which touches any part of his person.

SEC. 6. A foul tip, held by the catcher, while standing within the lines of his position.

Foul Strike.

RULE 50. A "Foul Strike" is a ball batted by the batsman when either or both of his feet is upon the ground outside the lines of the batsman's position.

When Batsman is Out.

The batsman is out:

RULE 51.

SECTION 1. If he fail to take his position at the bat in the order in which his name is on the batting list unless the error be discovered and the proper batsman replace him before a time "at bat" is recorded, in which case, the balls and strikes called must be counted in the time "at bat" of the proper batsman. But only the proper batsman shall be declared out, and no runs shall be scored or bases run because of any act of the improper batsman. Provided, this rule shall not be enforced unless the out be declared before the ball be delivered to the succeeding batsman. Should the batsman declared out under this section be the third hand out and his side be thereby put out, the proper batsman in the next inning shall be the player who would have come to bat had the players been put out by ordinary play in the preceding inning.

SEC. 2. If he fail to take his position within one minute after the umpire has called for the batsman.

SEC. 3. If he make a foul hit other than a foul tip, as defined in Rule 46, and the ball be momentarily held by a fielder before touching the ground; provided, it be not caught in a fielder's cap, protector, pocket or other part of his uniform, or strike some object other than a fielder before being caught.

SEC. 4. If he make a foul strike, as defined in Rule 50.

SEC. 5. If he attempt to hinder the catcher from fielding or throwing the ball by stepping outside the lines of the batsman's position, or in any way obstructing or interfering with that player.

SEC. 6. If, while first base be occupied by a base runner, three strikes be called on him by the umpire, unless two men are already out.

SEC. 7. If, while attempting a third strike, the ball touch any part of the batsman's person, in which case base runners occupying bases shall not advance as prescribed in Rule 55, Section 5.

SEC. 8. If, before two hands are out, while first and second or first, second and third bases are occupied, he hit a fly ball, other than a line drive, that can be handled by an infielder. In such case the umpire shall, as soon as the ball be hit, declare it an infield or outfield hit.

SEC. 9. If the third strike be called in accordance with Rule 49, Section 5.

Batsman Must Obey Call.

SEC. 10. The moment a batsman's term at bat ends, the umpire shall call for the batsman next in order to leave his seat on the bench and take his position at the bat, and no player of the batting side shall leave his seat on the bench until so called to bat, except to become a coacher or substitute base runner, to take the place of a player on his team's batting list, to comply with the umpire's order to leave the field or to make way for a fielder.

BASE RUNNING RULES.

Legal Order of Bases.

RULE 52. The Base Runner must touch each base in legal order, viz., First, Second, Third and Home Bases; and when obliged to return while the ball is in play, must retouch the base or bases in reverse order. He can only acquire the right to a base by touching it, before having been put out, and shall then be entitled to hold such base until he has legally touched the next base in order, or has been legally forced to vacate it for a succeeding base runner. However, no base runner shall score a run to count in the game ahead of the base runner preceding him in the batting order, if there be such preceding base runner who has not been put out in that inning.

When the Batsman Becomes a Base-Runner.

The batsman becomes a base runner:

RULE 53. **SECTION 1.** Instantly after he makes a fair hit.

SEC. 2. Instantly after "Four Balls" have been called by the umpire.

SEC. 3. Instantly after "Three Strikes" have been declared by the umpire.

SEC. 4. If, without making any attempt to strike at the ball, his person or clothing be hit by a pitched ball unless, in the opinion of the umpire, he plainly make no effort to get out of the way of the pitched ball and purposely permit himself to be hit.

SEC. 5. If the catcher interfere with him in or prevent him from striking at a pitched ball.

Entitled to Bases.

RULE 54. The base runner shall be entitled, without liability to be put out, to advance a base in the following cases:

SECTION 1. If, while the batsman, the umpire calls "Four Balls," or award him first base by being hit by a pitched ball or for being interfered with by the catcher in striking at a pitched ball.

SEC. 2. If, while the batsman, a fair hit ball strike the person or clothing of the umpire or a base runner on fair ground.

SEC. 3. If the umpire award to a succeeding batsman a base on four balls, or for being hit by a pitched ball, or being interfered with by the catcher in striking at a pitched ball and the base runner be thereby forced to vacate the base held by him.

SEC. 4. If the umpire call a "Balk."

SEC. 5. If a ball delivered by the pitcher pass the catcher and touch the umpire or any fence or building within ninety (90) feet of the home base.

SEC. 6. If he be prevented from making a base by the obstruction of a fielder, unless the latter have the ball in his hand ready to touch the base runner.

SEC. 7. If the fielder stop or catch a batted ball with his cap, glove or any part of his uniform, while detached from its proper place on his person.

Returning to Bases.

RULE 55. The base runner shall return to his base without liability to be put out:

SECTION 1. If the umpire declare a foul tip (as defined in Rule 46) or any other foul hit, not legally caught by a fielder.

SEC. 2. If the umpire declare a foul strike.

SEC. 3. If the umpire declare a dead ball, unless it be also the fourth unfair ball, and he be thereby forced to take the next base, as provided in Rule 54, Section 3.

SEC. 4. If the person or clothing of the umpire interfere with the catcher in an attempt to throw or the umpire be struck by a ball thrown by the catcher or other fielder to intercept a base runner.

SEC. 5. If a pitched ball at which the batsman strikes but misses, touch any part of the batsman's person.

SEC. 6. In any and all of these cases the base runner is

not required to touch the intervening bases in returning to the base he is legally entitled to.

When Base Runners are Out.

The base runner is out:

RULE 56.

SECTION 1. If, after three strikes have been declared against him while the batsman, the third strike ball be not legally caught and he plainly attempts to hinder the catcher from fielding the ball.

SEC. 2. If, having made a fair hit while batsman, such fair hit ball be momentarily held by a fielder before touching the ground or any object other than a fielder; provided, if it be not caught in a fielder's hat, cap, protector, pocket or other part of his uniform.

SEC. 3. If, when the umpire has declared "Three Strikes" on him while the batsman, the third strike ball be momentarily held by a fielder before touching the ground; provided, if it be not caught in a fielder's cap, protector, pocket or other part of his uniform, or touch some object other than a fielder before being caught.

SEC. 4. If, after three strikes or a fair hit, he be touched with the ball in the hand of a fielder before he shall have touched first base.

SEC. 5. If, after three strikes or a fair hit, the ball be securely held by a fielder while touching first base with any part of his person before such base runner touch first base.

SEC. 6. If, in running the last half of the distance from home base to first base, while the ball is being fielded to first base, he run outside the three foot lines, as defined in Rule 7, unless he do so to avoid a fielder attempting to field a batted ball.

SEC. 7. If, in running from first to second base, from second to third base, or from third to home base, he run more than three feet from a direct line between a base and the next one in regular or reverse order to avoid being touched by a ball in the hands of a fielder. But in case a fielder be occupying a base runner's proper path in attempting to field a batted ball, then the base runner shall run out of direct line to the next base and behind said fielder and shall not be declared out for so doing.

SEC. 8. If he fail to avoid a fielder attempting to field a batted ball, in the manner described in sections 6 and 7 of this rule, or in any way obstruct a fielder in attempting to field a batted ball, or intentionally interfere with a

thrown ball; provided, that if two or more fielders attempt to field a batted ball, and the base runner come in contact with one or more of them, the umpire shall determine which fielder is entitled to the benefit of this rule, and shall not decide the base runner out for coming in contact with a fielder other than the one the umpire determines to be entitled to field such batted ball.

SEC. 9. If at any time while the ball is in play, he be touched by the ball in the hands of a fielder, unless some part of his person be touching the base he is entitled to occupy; provided, however, that the ball be held by the fielder after touching him, unless the base runner deliberately knock it out of his hand.

SEC. 10. If, when a fair or foul hit ball (other than a foul tip as defined in Rule 46) be legally caught by a fielder, such ball be legally held by a fielder on the base occupied by the base runner when such ball was batted, or the base runner be touched with the ball in the hands of a fielder, before he retouch such base after such fair or foul hit ball was so caught; provided, that the base runner shall not be out in such case, if, after the ball was legally caught as above, it be delivered to the bat by the pitcher before the fielder hold it on said base, or touch the base runner out with it; but if the base runner, in attempting to reach a base, detach it from its fastening before being touched or forced out, he shall be declared safe.

SEC. 11. If, when the batsman becomes a base runner, the first base, or the first and second bases, or the first, second and third bases be occupied, any base runner so occupying a base shall cease to be entitled to hold it, and may be put out at the next base in the same manner as in running to first base, or by being touched with the ball in the hands of a fielder at any time before any base runner following him in the batting order be put out, unless the umpire should decide the hit of the batsman to be an in-field fly.

SEC. 12. If a fair hit ball strike him before touching a fielder, and, in such case, no base shall be run unless necessitated by the batsman becoming a base runner, but no run shall be scored or any other base runner put out until the umpire puts the ball back into play.

SEC. 13. If, when advancing bases, or forced to return to a base, while the ball is in play, he fail to touch the intervening base or bases, if any, in the regular or reverse order, as the case may be, he may be put out by the ball being held by a fielder on any base he failed to touch, or by being touched by the ball in the hands of a fielder

in the same manner as in running to first base; provided, that the base runner shall not be out in such case if the ball be delivered to the bat by the pitcher before the fielder hold it on said base or touch the base runner with it.

SEC. 14. If, when the umpire call "Play," after the suspension of a game, he fail to return to and touch the base he occupied when "Time" was called before touching the next base; provided, the base runner shall not be out, in such case, if the ball be delivered to the bat by the pitcher, before the fielder hold it on said base or touch the base runner with it.

Overrunning First Base.

SEC. 15. The base runner in running to first base may overrun said base after touching it in passing without incurring liability to be out for being off said base, provided he return at once and retouch the base, after which he may be put out as at any other base. If, after overrunning first base, he turn in the direction of or attempt to run to second base, before returning to first base, he shall forfeit such exemption from liability to be put out.

SEC. 16. If, before two hands are out and while third base is occupied, the coacher stationed near that base shall run in the direction of home base on or near the base line while a fielder is making or trying to make a play on a batted ball not caught on the fly, or on a thrown ball, and thereby draws a throw to home base, the base runner entitled to third base shall be declared out by the umpire for the coacher's interference with and prevention of the legitimate play.

SEC. 17. If one or more members of the team at bat stand or collect at or around a base for which a base runner is trying, thereby confusing the fielding side and adding to the difficulty of making such play, the base runner shall be declared out for the interference of his team mate or team mates.

SEC. 18. If he touch home base before a base runner preceding him in the batting order, if there be such preceding base runner, lose his right to third base.

When Umpire Shall Declare an Out.

The umpire shall declare the batsman or
RULE 57. base runner out, without waiting for an appeal for such decision, in all cases where such player be put out in accordance with any of these rules, except Sections 13 and 15 of Rule 56.

Coaching Rules.

RULE 58. The coacher shall be restricted to coaching the base runner only, and shall not address remarks expect to the base runner, and then only in words of assistance and direction in running bases. He shall not, by words or signs, incite or try to incite the spectators to demonstrations, and shall not use language which will in any manner refer to or reflect upon a player of the opposite club, the umpire or the spectators, Not more than two coaches, who must be players in the uniform of the team at bat, shall be allowed to occupy the space between the players' and the coaches' lines, one near first and the other near third base, to coach base runners. If there be more than the legal number of coaches or this rule be violated in any respect the captain of the opposite side may call the attention of the umpire to the offense, and thereupon the umpire must order the illegal coacher or coaches to the bench, and if his order be not obeyed within one minute, the umpire shall assess a fine of \$5.00 against each offending player, and upon a repetition of the offense, the offending player or players shall be debarred from further participation in the game, and shall leave the playing field forthwith.

The Scoring of Runs.

RULE 59. One run shall be scored every time a base runner, after having legally touched the first three bases, shall legally touch the home base before three men are put out; provided, however, that if he reach home on or during a play in which the third man be forced out or be put out before reaching first base, a run shall not count. A force-out can be made only when a base runner legally loses the right to the base he occupies and is thereby obliged to advance as the result of a fair hit ball not caught on the fly.

UMPIRE AND HIS DUTIES.

Power to Enforce Decisions.

RULE 60. The umpire is the representative of the League and as such is authorized and required to enforce each section of this code. He shall have the power to order a player, captain or manager to do or omit to do any act which in his judgment is necessary to give force and effect to one or all of these rules, and to inflict penalties for violations of the rules as hereinafter prescribed.

RULE 61. There shall be no appeal from any decision of the umpire on the ground that he was not correct in his conclusion as to whether a batted ball was fair or foul, a base runner safe or out, a pitched ball a strike or ball, or on any other play involving accuracy of judgment, and no decision rendered by him shall be reversed, except that he be convinced that it is in violation of one of these rules. The captain shall alone have the right to protest against a decision and seek its reversal on a claim that it is in conflict with a section of these rules.

Must Not Question Decisions.

RULE 62. Under no circumstances shall a captain or player dispute the accuracy of the umpire's judgment and decision on a play.

Clubs Can Not Change Umpire.

RULE 63. The umpire can not be changed during a championship game by the consent of the contesting clubs unless the official in charge of the field be incapacitated from service by injury or illness.

Penalties for Violations of the Rules.

RULE 64. In all cases of violation of these rules, by either a player or manager, the penalty for the first offense shall be a fine by the umpire of \$5.00, and, for a second offense, prompt removal of the offender from the game or grounds, followed by a period of such suspension from actual service in the club as the president of the League may fix.

Umpire to Report Violations of the Rules.

RULE 65. The umpire shall within twelve hours after fining or removing a player from the game, forward to the president a report of the penalty inflicted and the cause therefor.

RULE 66. Immediately upon being informed by the umpire that a fine has been imposed upon any manager, captain or player, the president shall notify the person so fined and also the club of which he is a member; and, in the event of the failure of the person so fined to pay to the secretary of the League the amount of said fine within five days after notice, he shall be debarred from participating in any championship

game or from sitting on a player's bench during the progress of a championship game until such fine be paid.

RULE 67. When the offense of the player debarred from the game be of a flagrant nature, such as the use of obscene language or an assault upon a player or umpire, the umpire shall within four hours thereafter forward to the president of the League full particulars.

Warning to Captains.

RULE 68. The umpire shall notify both captains before the game, and in the presence of each other, that all the playing rules will be strictly and impartially enforced, and warn them that failure on their part to co-operate in such enforcement will result in offenders being fined, and, if necessary to preserve discipline, debarred from the game.

On Ground Rules.

RULE 69. Before the commencement of a game the umpire shall see that the rules governing all the materials of the game are strictly observed. He shall ask the captain of the home club whether there are any special ground rules, and if there be he shall acquaint himself with them, advise the captain of the visiting team of their scope and see that each is duly enforced, provided that it does not conflict with any of these rules.

Official Announcements.

RULE 70. The umpire shall call "Play" at the hour appointed for the beginning of a game, announce "Time" at its legal interruption and declare "Game" at its legal termination.

Suspension of Play.

RULE 71. The umpire shall suspend play for the following causes:

1. If rain fall so heavily as to cause the spectators on the open field and open stands to seek shelter, in which case he shall note the time of suspension, and should rain fall continuously for thirty minutes thereafter he shall terminate the game.

2. In case of an accident which incapacitates him or a player from service in the field, or in order to remove

from the grounds any player or spectator who has violated the rules, or in case of fire, panic or other extraordinary circumstances.

Call of Time.

RULE 72. In suspending play from any legal cause the umpire shall call "Time"; when he calls "Time," play shall be suspended until he calls "Play" again, and during the interim no player shall be put out, base be run or run be scored. "Time" shall not be called by the umpire until the ball be held by the pitcher while standing in his position.

Decisions on Balls and Strikes.

RULE 73. The umpire shall call and count as a "ball" any unfair ball delivered by the pitcher to the batsman. He shall also call and count as a "strike" any fairly delivered ball which passes over any portion of the home base, and within the batsman's legal range as defined in Rule 31, whether struck at or not by the batsman; or a foul tip which is caught by the catcher standing within the lines of his position, within 10 feet of the home base; or which, after being struck at and not hit, strike the person of the batsman; or when the ball be bunted foul by the batsman; or any foul hit ball not caught on the fly unless the batsman has two strikes, provided, however, that a pitched ball shall not be called or counted a "ball" or "strike" by the umpire until it has passed the home plate.

RULE 74. If but one umpire be assigned, his duties and jurisdiction shall extend to all points, and he shall be permitted to take his stand in any part of the field that in his opinion will best enable him to discharge his duties. If two umpires be assigned to a game, the assistant umpire shall decide all plays at first and second bases.

Field Rules.

RULE 75. No person shall be allowed upon any part of the field during the progress of a game except the players in uniform, the manager of each side, the umpire, such officers of the law as may be present in uniform, and such watchmen of the home club as may be necessary to preserve the peace.

RULE 76. No manager, captain or player shall address the spectators during a game except in reply to a request for information about the progress or state of the game.

RULE 77. Every club shall furnish sufficient police force to preserve order upon its own grounds, and in the event of a crowd entering the field during the progress of a game, and interfering with the play in any manner, the visiting club may refuse to play until the field be cleared. If the field be not cleared within 15 minutes thereafter, the visiting club may claim and shall be entitled to the game by a score of nine runs to none (no matter what number of innings has been played).

General Definitions.

RULE 78. "Play" is the order of the umpire to begin the game or to resume it after its suspension.

RULE 79. "Time" is the order of the umpire to suspend play. Such suspension must not extend beyond the day.

RULE 80. "Game" is the announcement of the umpire that the game is terminated.

RULE 81. "An inning" is the term at bat of the nine players representing a club in a game and is completed when three of such players have been legally put out.

RULE 82. "A Time at Bat" is the term at bat of a batsman. It begins when he takes his position, and continues until he is put out or becomes a base runner. But a time at bat shall not be charged against a batsman who is awarded first base by the umpire for being hit by a pitched ball or for the illegal delivery of the pitcher or on called balls or when he makes a sacrifice hit.

RULE 83. "Legal" or "Legally" signifies as required by these rules.

THE SCORING RULES.

RULE 84. To promote uniformity in scoring championship games the following instructions are given and suggestions and definitions made for the guidance of scorers, and they are required to make all scores in accordance therewith.

The Batsman's Record.

RULE 85. SECTION 1. The first item in the tabulated score, after the player's name and position, shall be the number of times he has been at bat during the game, but the exceptions made in Rule 82 must not be included.

SEC. 2. In the second column shall be set down the runs, if any, made by each player.

SEC. 3. In the third column shall be placed the first base hits, if any, made by each player.

The Scoring of Base Hits.

SEC. 4. A base hit shall be scored in the following cases:
When the ball from the bat strikes the ground on or within the foul lines and out of the reach of the fielders.

When a fair-hit ball is partially or wholly stopped by a fielder in motion, but such player can not recover himself in time to field the ball to first before the striker reaches that base or to force out another base runner.

When the ball be hit with such force to an infielder or pitcher that he can not handle it in time to put out the batsman or force out a base runner. In a case of doubt over this class of hits, a base hit should be scored and the fielder exempted from the charge of an error.

When the ball is hit so slowly toward a fielder that he cannot handle it in time to put out the batsman or force out a base runner.

In all cases where a base runner is retired by being hit by a batted ball, the batsman should be credited with a base hit.

When a batted ball hits the person or clothing of the umpire, as defined in Rule 54, Section 2.

In no case shall a base hit be scored when a base runner is forced out by the play.

Sacrifice Hits.

SEC. 5. In the fourth column shall be placed the sacrifice hits.

A sacrifice hit shall be credited to the batsman who, when no one is out or when but one man is out, advances a runner a base by a bunt hit, which results in the batsman being put out before reaching first, or would so result if it were handled without error.

Fielding Records.

SEC. 6. The number of opponents, if any, put out by each player shall be set down in the fifth column. Where the batsman is given out by the umpire for a foul strike, or fails to bat in proper order, the put-out shall be scored to the catcher. In cases of the base runner being declared "out" for interference, running out of line, or on an in-field fly, the "out" should be credited to the player who would have made the play but for the action of the base runner or the announcement of the umpire.

SEC. 7. The number of times, if any, each player assists in putting out an opponent shall be set down in the sixth column. An assist should be given to each player who handles the ball in aiding in a run out or any other play of the kind, except the one who completes it.

An assist should be given to a player who makes a play in time to put a runner out, even if the player who could complete the play fail, through no fault of the assisting player.

And generally an assist should be given to each player who handles or assists in any manner in handling the ball from the time it leaves the bat until it reaches the player who makes the put-out, or in case of a thrown ball, to each player who throws or handles it cleanly, and in such a way that a put-out results, or would result if no error were made by a team-mate.

Assists should be credited to every player who handles the ball in the play which results in a base runner being called "out" for interference or for running out of line.

Errors.

SEC. 8. An error shall be given in the seventh column for each misplay which prolongs the time at bat of the batsman or allows a base runner to make one or more bases when perfect play would have insured his being put out. But a wild pitch, a base on balls, a base awarded to a batsman by being struck by a pitched ball, an illegal pitch, a balk and a passed ball, each of which is a battery and not a fielding error, shall not be included in the seventh column.

An error shall not be charged against the catcher for a wild throw in an attempt to prevent a stolen base, unless the base runner advance an extra base because of the error.

An error shall not be scored against the catcher or an

infielder who attempts to complete a double play, unless the throw be so wild that an additional base be gained.

In case a base runner advance a base through the failure of a baseman to stop or try to stop a ball accurately thrown to his base, he shall be charged with an error and not the player who made such throw, provided there were occasion for it. If such throw be made to second base the scorer shall determine whether the second baseman or shortstop shall be charged with an error.

Stolen Bases.

SEC. 9. A stolen base shall be credited to the base runner whenever he advances a base unaided by a base hit, a put-out, a fielding or a battery error.

The Summary.

The Summary shall contain:

RULE 86.

SECTION 1. The score made in each inning of the game and the total runs of each side in the game.

SEC. 2. The number of stolen bases, if any, by each player.

SEC. 3. The number of two-base hits, if any, made by each player.

SEC. 4. The number of three-base hits, if any, made by each player.

SEC. 5. The number of home runs, if any, made by each player.

SEC. 6. The number of double and triple plays, if any, made by each side and the names of the players assisting in the same.

SEC. 7. The number of innings each pitcher pitched in.

SEC. 8. The number of base hits, if any, made off each pitcher.

SEC. 9. The number of times, if any, the pitcher strikes out the opposing batsmen.

SEC. 10. The number of times, if any, the pitcher gives bases on balls.

SEC. 11. The number of wild pitches, if any, charged to the pitcher.

SEC. 12. The number of times, if any, the pitcher hits a batsman with a pitched ball.

SEC. 13. The number of passed balls by each catcher.

SEC. 14. The time of the game.

SEC. 15. The name of the umpire.

To Umpires, Managers and Players

The Hart-Fleischmann resolution for the preservation of good order on the ball field, which was enacted and made perpetual in 1903, was amended at the last annual meeting of the National League in December, 1904.

The amendment is as follows:

"Any player removed by an umpire for a violation of the Playing Rules during the season of 1905 SHALL BE FINED ten dollars by the President of the League for EACH REMOVAL; and if, in addition thereto, the player so removed BE SUSPENDED by the President of the League, said suspension shall carry with it a FINE OF TEN DOLLARS FOR EACH SUBSEQUENT DAY SO SUSPENDED. This fine MUST be paid by the player into the treasury of the League WITHIN FIVE DAYS after the levying of such fine; otherwise the player will be ineligible to play until fine is paid."

Respectfully,

HARRY C. PULLIAM,

President.

Annual Meeting of the National League of Professional Base Ball Clubs

Held at the Victoria Hotel, New York City,
Wednesday and Thursday, December 13 and 14, 1904.

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13, 14, 1904.

Meeting called to order at 3 P. M.

President Harry C. Pulliam in the Chair; John A. Heydler acting as Secretary.

Present:

A. H. SODEN and W. H. CONANT, representing the Boston Base Ball Association.

C. H. EBBETS and EDWARD HANLON, representing the Brooklyn Ball Club.

JAMES A. HART, representing the Chicago League Ball Club.

AUGUST HERRMANN, JULIUS FLEISCHMANN and MAX FLEISCHMANN, representing the Cincinnati Exhibition Company.

JOHN T. BRUSH and FRED KNOWLES, representing the National Exhibition Company.

BARNEY DREYFUSS and WILL LOCKE, representing the Pittsburg Athletic Company.

The Chair announced that, owing to illness in the family of Mr. Frank deHass Robison, the St. Louis Club would not be represented at the meeting.

William J. Shettsline presented his credentials as President of the newly elected "Philadelphia Ball Company," and Mr. Shettsline's name was added to the roll-call as representing the Philadelphia Ball Company.

The minutes of the Reconvened Annual Meeting of March 1 to 4, 1904, were read, corrected and approved.

Chairman Soden of the Board of Directors presented the Report of the Board, which carried with it the award of the Championship of the National League for 1904 to the New York Club; the approval of the final Report of Trustee N. E. Young, covering the League Reduction Fund; the approval of the Report of H. C. Pulliam as Treasurer of the League from December 1, 1903, to December 10, 1904, and the approval of Report of H. C. Pulliam as Trustee on receipts and disbursements of 5 per cent. Fund for 1904.

On motion, the Report of the Board of Directors was accepted and approved.

President Pulliam then read his Annual Report for the season of 1904, which was ordered spread upon the records.

The election of officers being in order, the Secretary of the meeting was instructed to cast the vote of the League for Harry C. Pulliam as President, Secretary and Treasurer for the ensuing year.

On motion, the Board of Directors—Messrs. Soden, Brush, Hart and Dreyfuss—was re-elected for the ensuing year.

On motion, a vote of thanks was tendered Mr. N. E. Young for the faithful manner in which he had discharged his duties as Trustee of the League Reduction Fund.

A communication from President John T. Brush of the New York Base Ball Club, relative to the League taking action to secure the proper supervision and regulation of games for the World's Championship, was read.

On motion, recess was taken until December 14.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1904.

Meeting re-convened at 1:10 P. M.

All clubs represented save St. Louis.

On motion of Mr. Herrmann, authority was delegated to the National Commission to arrange proper rules and

regulations for the playing of World's Championship contests, said rules and regulations to be referred back to the National and American Leagues for their approval before becoming effective.

On motion, it was provided that any player removed from the game by the umpire during the season of 1905 shall be fined \$10 and that, in addition, if the player so removed be further suspended by the President of the League, he shall be fined \$10 for each day of suspension, the fine to be paid within five days.

The matter of changes in the National Agreement was brought up and the opportunity given Mr. Howard Griffith to present the wishes of the National Association in the matter.

On motion, the League voted its approval of the concessions asked by the National Association.

On motion of Mr. Hart, the meeting adjourned subject to the call of the chair.

Reconvened Annual Meeting of the National League of Professional Base Ball Clubs

Held at the Victoria Hotel, New York City,
Wednesday and Thursday, February 15 and 16, 1905.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1905.

Meeting called to order at 2:30 P. M.

President Pulliam in the Chair; John A. Heydler acting
as Secretary.

Present:

A. H. SODEN, representing the Boston Base Ball Association.

C. H. EBBETS and EDWARD HANLON, representing the
Brooklyn Ball Club.

JAMES A. HART, representing the Chicago League Ball
Club.

AUGUST HERMANN, representing the Cincinnati Exhibition
Company.

FRED KNOWLES, representing the National Exhibition
Company.

WILLIAM SHETTSLINE and D. LEROY REEVES, representing
the Philadelphia Ball Company.

WILL LOCKE, representing the Pittsburg Athletic Company.

FRANK DE HASS ROBISON, representing the American
Base Ball and Athletic Exhibition Company of St. Louis.

The minutes of the December, 1904, meeting were read
and approved.

The Board of Directors presented its findings in the case
of John W. Taylor, pitcher of the St. Louis Club, which,
upon motion, were received and approved.

On motion, it was decided that when this meeting adjourns it do so subject to the call of the Chair.

Chairman Herrmann, of the National Commission, laid before the meeting the proposed amendments to the National Agreement, which the League instructed President Pulliam to vote for when the matter came up for action before the National Commission.

A recess was taken until Thursday, February 16.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1905.

Meeting called to order at 7 P. M. by the President.

President Pulliam presented the playing schedule for the season of 1905, which was adopted.

Mr. Ebbets, from the Committee on Constitution, offered an amendment to Section 33 of the National League Constitution, which was adopted.

Mr. Herrmann, on behalf of the National Commission, presented the rules and regulations for the government of the World's Championship series, which, upon motion of Mr. Hart, were adopted.

The Rules Committee of the League was instructed to meet with a like committee of the American League.

At 8:30 P. M. the League adjourned, subject to the call of the Chair.

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The following is an official list of the officers of the National League of Professional Base Ball Clubs, and Officers of Clubs, Members thereof, for the season of 1905:

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NATIONAL LEAGUE AVERAGES

TEAM BATTING.

	G.	AB.	R.	H.	TB.	2B.	3B.	HR.	SH.	SB.	PC.
New York.....	157	5150	744	1347	1773	201	66	31	166	283	.267
Pittsburg	156	5160	675	1333	1746	164	102	15	124	178	.258
Cincinnati.....	157	5231	692	1332	1768	189	92	21	135	179	.258
St. Louis	155	5104	602	1292	1671	175	66	24	129	199	.253
Chicago	156	5210	597	1294	1641	157	62	22	141	227	.243
Philadelphia	155	5103	571	1268	1615	170	54	23	119	159	.248
Boston	155	5135	491	1217	1542	153	50	24	101	143	.237
Brooklyn	154	4917	497	1142	1452	159	53	15	129	205	.232

INDIVIDUAL BATTING.

	G.	AB.	R.	H.	TB.	2B.	3B.	HR.	SH.	SB.	PC.
Wagner, Pittsburg	132	490	17	171	255	44	14	4	5	53	.349
Donlin, Cinci.-N. Y.....	96	368	59	121	168	18	10	3	7	22	.329
Beckley, St. Louis.....	142	551	72	179	222	22	9	1	15	17	.325
Seymour, Cincinnati.....	130	531	71	166	233	26	13	5	7	11	.312
Grady, St. Louis	92	323	44	101	153	15	11	5	7	6	.313
Chance, Chicago	124	451	89	140	194	16	10	6	11	42	.310
Dunn, New York	55	181	27	56	75	12	2	1	5	11	.309
Clarke, Pittsburg	70	278	51	85	114	7	11	0	8	11	.306
Beaumont, Pittsburg	153	615	97	185	230	12	12	3	23	28	.301
Titus, Philadelphia	140	504	60	148	195	25	5	4	7	15	.294
Thomas, Philadelphia	139	496	92	144	171	6	6	3	7	28	.290
Gessler, Brooklyn	89	341	41	99	131	18	4	2	6	13	.290
McGann, New York	141	517	81	148	200	22	6	6	22	42	.286
Schulte, Chicago	20	84	16	24	40	4	3	2	0	1	.286
Delahanty, Boston	138	499	56	142	194	27	8	3	6	16	.285
Dolan, Cincinnati.....	126	465	88	132	178	8	10	6	16	19	.284
Odwell, Cincinnati.....	126	468	75	133	178	22	10	1	18	20	.284
Bresnahan, New York	107	402	81	114	166	21	8	5	3	13	.284
Browne, New York	149	596	99	169	207	16	5	4	22	24	.283
Smoot, St. Louis	137	520	58	146	190	23	6	3	14	23	.281
Devlin, New York	130	474	81	133	168	16	8	1	20	33	.281
Kelley, Cincinnati.....	123	449	75	126	173	21	13	0	15	15	.281
Shannon, St. Louis	133	500	84	140	159	10	3	1	29	34	.280
Lumley, Brooklyn	150	577	79	161	247	23	18	9	11	30	.279
McCormick, H. N.Y.-Pitts.	120	441	53	123	173	19	11	3	7	19	.279
Magee, Philadelphia	95	364	51	101	149	15	12	3	7	11	.277
Mertes, New York	148	532	83	147	209	28	11	4	22	47	.276
Lush, Philadelphia	102	369	39	102	136	22	3	2	6	12	.276
Lauterborn, Boston	20	69	7	19	21	2	0	0	1	1	.275
Gleason, Philadelphia	153	587	61	161	196	23	6	0	35	17	.274
Cooley, Boston	122	467	41	127	174	18	7	5	0	14	.272
Tenney, Boston	147	533	76	144	182	17	9	1	22	17	.270
Dahlen, New York	145	523	70	140	176	26	2	2	11	47	.268
Casey, Chicago	136	548	71	147	178	20	4	1	20	21	.268
Brain, St. Louis	125	488	57	130	199	24	12	7	9	18	.266
Wolverton, Philadelphia	102	398	43	106	131	15	5	0	10	18	.266
Evers, Chicago	152	532	49	141	169	14	7	0	23	26	.265
Babb, Brooklyn	151	521	49	138	162	18	3	0	10	34	.265

INDIVIDUAL BATTING—(Continued).

	G.	A.B.	R.	H.	TB.	2B.	3B.	HR.	SH.	SB.	P.C.
McCarthy, Chicago	115	432	36	114	132	14	2	0	17	14	.264
Ritchey, Pittsburg	156	544	79	143	189	22	12	0	17	12	.263
Huggins, Cincinnati	140	491	96	129	161	12	7	2	15	13	.263
Leever, Pittsburg	34	99	12	26	35	2	2	1	2	0	.263
McChesney, Chicago	22	88	9	23	33	6	2	0	0	2	.261
Needham, Boston	78	269	18	70	100	12	3	4	1	3	.260
Stagle, Chicago	120	481	73	125	160	12	10	1	7	28	.260
Dillon, Brooklyn	134	511	60	132	162	18	6	0	9	13	.258
Roth, Philadelphia	68	229	28	59	72	8	1	1	4	8	.258
Ewing, Cincinnati	30	97	9	25	36	6	1	1	0	2	.258
Leach, Pittsburg	146	579	92	149	194	15	12	2	4	23	.257
Abbatechio, Boston	154	579	76	148	195	18	10	3	13	24	.256
Shay, St. Louis	98	340	45	87	103	11	1	1	7	36	.256
Farrell, St. Louis	130	509	72	130	159	23	3	0	5	16	.255
Batch, Brooklyn	28	94	9	24	35	1	2	2	2	6	.255
Gilbert, W., New York	146	478	57	121	143	13	3	1	16	33	.253
Sebring, Pittsburg-Cinn.	136	527	50	132	170	20	9	0	1	16	.250
Dobbs, Brooklyn	95	363	36	90	110	16	2	0	11	11	.248
Ritter, Brooklyn	63	214	23	53	59	4	1	0	5	17	.248
Smith, H., Pittsburg	47	141	17	35	40	3	1	0	3	5	.248
Carlsch, Pittsburg	36	125	9	31	36	3	1	0	1	3	.248
Hulswitt, Philadelphia	113	406	36	99	121	11	4	1	12	8	.244
Barry, Phila.-Chicago	105	385	44	94	110	9	2	1	12	14	.244
Steinfeldt, Cincinnati	98	349	35	85	111	11	6	1	14	16	.244
Jones, D., Chicago	97	336	44	82	112	11	5	3	4	14	.244
Geler, Boston	148	580	70	141	165	17	2	1	7	18	.243
Kling, Chicago	120	452	41	110	134	18	0	2	14	7	.243
Peltz, Cincinnati	82	272	32	66	86	13	2	1	4	1	.243
Doolin, Philadelphia	104	355	41	86	123	11	4	6	3	15	.242
Phelps, Pittsburg	92	302	29	73	84	5	3	0	12	2	.242
Gilbert, J., Pittsburg	25	87	13	21	21	0	0	0	0	3	.241
Sheekard, Brooklyn	143	507	70	121	159	23	6	1	18	21	.239
Schlel, Cincinnati	88	291	25	69	83	8	3	0	4	7	.237
Cannell, Boston	93	346	32	81	88	5	1	0	7	10	.234
Jacklitsch, Brooklyn	23	77	8	18	23	3	1	0	1	7	.234
Dunleavy, St. Louis	51	172	23	40	56	7	3	1	1	8	.233
Bowerman, New York	90	289	38	67	92	11	4	2	7	7	.232
O'Neill, M., St. Louis	28	91	9	21	32	7	2	0	5	0	.231
Corcoran, Cincinnati	150	578	55	133	174	17	9	2	14	19	.230
Lynch, Pittsburg	27	87	6	20	28	9	2	0	1	0	.230
Burke, St. Louis	118	406	37	92	108	10	3	0	17	17	.227
Moran, Boston	111	398	26	90	119	11	3	4	3	10	.226
Mathewson, New York	48	133	15	30	41	5	3	0	9	3	.226
Mitchell, Phila.-Brooklyn ..	33	106	12	24	32	4	2	0	4	1	.226
Hill, St. Louis	23	93	13	21	34	2	1	3	2	3	.226
Wiltse, New York	25	67	10	15	22	2	1	1	2	1	.224
Bransfield, Pittsburg	139	520	47	116	151	17	9	0	19	11	.223
Landgren, Chicago	31	90	7	20	27	3	2	0	2	1	.222
Tinker, Chicago	141	488	55	108	155	12	13	3	12	41	.221
Doyle, Brooklyn-Phila.	72	258	22	57	77	11	3	1	3	5	.221
Donahue, St. Louis-Phila.	60	215	22	47	51	4	0	0	2	10	.219
Wicker, Chicago	50	155	17	34	35	1	0	0	3	4	.219
Byers, St. Louis	17	69	3	3	13	0	0	0	1	0	.217
O'Neill, J., Chicago	49	168	8	36	44	5	0	1	4	1	.214
Brown, Chicago	27	89	8	19	24	3	1	0	1	0	.213
Zearfoss, St. Louis	25	80	7	17	19	2	0	0	0	0	.213
Marshall, Phil.-Bos.-N.Y.	23	80	7	17	20	1	1	0	0	2	.213
Fisher, Boston	36	99	8	21	28	1	0	2	0	0	.212
Flaherty, Pittsburg	31	104	9	22	39	3	4	2	4	0	.212
Taylor, J., St. Louis	41	133	9	28	40	3	3	1	1	3	.211
Raymer, Boston	114	419	28	88	109	12	3	1	20	17	.210
Barclay, St. Louis-Boston	127	468	46	96	110	10	5	1	13	17	.208

INDIVIDUAL BATTING—Continued.

Name and Club.	G.	A.B.	R.	H.	TB.	2B.	3B.	HR.	SH.	SB.	F.C.
Carney, Boston	76	279	24	57	66	5	2	0	8	6	.204
Corridon, Chicago-Phila...	31	93	7	19	21	2	0	0	1	0	.204
Poole, Brooklyn	24	62	3	8	9	1	0	0	3	0	.129
Garvin, Brooklyn	23	63	0	8	8	0	0	0	3	0	.127
Ames, New York	16	40	3	5	6	1	0	0	0	0	.125
Phillippe, Pittsburgh	21	65	4	8	8	0	0	0	1	0	.123
Scanlan, Pitts.-Brooklyn...	17	41	2	5	5	0	0	0	5	0	.122
Walker, Cincinnati	24	77	6	9	9	0	0	0	2	0	.116
Pittenger, Boston	38	121	2	13	13	0	0	0	3	1	.108
Sparks, Philadelphia	26	76	6	8	9	1	0	0	0	0	.105
McNichol, Boston	17	43	3	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	.093
Wilhelm, Boston	39	100	3	7	9	2	0	0	5	0	.070
McPherson, Philadelphia...	15	47	0	3	3	0	0	0	1	0	.064
Miller, Pittsburgh	19	46	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	.043

INDIVIDUAL FIELDING.

FIRST BASEMEN.

Name and Club.	G.	P.O.	A.	E.	T.C.	P.C.
Peltz, Cincinnati	18	169	11	0	180	1.000
McGann, New York	141	1481	94	15	1590	.990
Chance, Chicago	123	1205	106	13	1324	.990
Beckley, St. Louis	142	1526	64	20	1610	.988
Kelley, Cincinnati	117	1049	76	14	1139	.988
Tenhey, Boston	144	1445	115	22	1582	.986
Dillon, Brooklyn	134	1304	99	25	1428	.982
Bransfield, Pittsburgh	139	1454	89	30	1573	.981
Doyle, Brooklyn-Philadelphia	72	667	59	15	741	.980
Dolan, Cincinnati	24	199	16	5	220	.977
Barry, Chicago	18	181	8	5	194	.974
Lush, Philadelphia	62	526	28	29	583	.950

SECOND BASEMEN.

Ritchey, Pittsburgh	156	330	482	36	848	.958
Raymer, Boston	114	272	351	27	650	.958
Jordan, Brooklyn	70	142	176	14	332	.958
Gilbert, New York	146	305	466	44	815	.946
Huggins, Cincinnati	140	337	448	46	831	.945
Evers, Chicago	152	381	518	54	953	.943
Lauterborn, Boston	20	39	60	6	105	.943
Gleason, Philadelphia	152	379	463	52	894	.942
Farrell, St. Louis	130	297	450	53	800	.934
Delahanty, Boston	18	38	41	6	85	.929
Woodruff, Cincinnati	17	32	49	8	89	.910
Strang, Brooklyn	63	100	164	26	290	.910

THIRD BASEMEN.

Woodruff, Cincinnati	61	75	116	14	205	.932
Wolverton, Philadelphia	102	143	191	27	361	.925
McCormick, Brooklyn	104	138	190	31	359	.914
Dunn, New York	28	25	49	7	81	.914
Barry, Philadelphia-Chicago	17	22	31	5	58	.914
Casey, Chicago	134	157	241	39	437	.911
Leach, Pittsburgh	146	212	371	60	643	.907
Devlin, New York	130	126	285	42	453	.907
Burke, St. Louis	118	148	217	42	407	.897
Moran, Boston	39	47	83	16	146	.890
Delahanty, Boston	113	158	223	48	429	.888
Steinfeldt, Cincinnati	98	153	168	41	362	.887

INDIVIDUAL FIELDING—THIRD BASEMEN—(Continued).

Name and Club.	G.	P.O.	A.	E.	T.C.	P.C.
Brain, St. Louis	30	40	68	14	122	.885
Batch, Brooklyn	28	26	55	11	92	.880
Hall, Philadelphia	20	13	30	8	51	.843
Donahue, Philadelphia	24	24	33	11	68	.838

SHORTSTOPS.

Corcoran, Cincinnati	150	353	471	56	880	.936
Dahlen, New York	145	316	494	61	871	.930
Wagner, Pittsburg	121	274	367	49	690	.929
Babb, Brooklyn	151	370	459	65	894	.927
Brain, St. Louis	59	109	182	23	314	.927
Tinker, Chicago	140	327	465	64	856	.925
Abbatechio, Boston	154	367	473	78	918	.915
Krueger, Pittsburg	32	54	96	14	164	.915
Hulswitt, Philadelphia	113	273	310	56	639	.912
Shay, St. Louis	97	153	319	46	518	.911
Donahue, St. Louis-Philadelphia	30	59	73	23	155	.852
Hall, Philadelphia	15	25	47	18	90	.800

OUTFIELDERS.

Hill, St. Louis	23	41	2	0	43	1.000
Brain, St. Louis	19	35	0	0	35	1.000
Dunleavy, St. Louis	44	68	6	1	75	.987
Clarke, Pittsburg	70	135	4	3	142	.979
Shannon, St. Louis	133	246	18	6	270	.978
Cooley, Boston	116	201	3	5	209	.977
Thomas, Philadelphia	139	321	21	9	351	.974
Sebring, Pittsburg-Cincinnati	136	234	27	7	268	.974
Williams, Chicago	21	33	3	1	37	.973
Beaumont, Pittsburg	153	287	14	10	311	.968
Schulte, Chicago	20	34	3	2	39	.964
McChesney, Chicago	22	27	2	1	30	.967
Smoot, St. Louis	137	270	17	10	297	.966
McCarthy, Chicago	115	213	8	9	230	.961
Mertes, New York	147	244	17	12	273	.956
Sheckard, Brooklyn	141	291	16	14	321	.956
Odwell, Cincinnati	126	284	18	14	316	.956
Lumley, Brooklyn	150	228	26	12	266	.955
Barry, Philadelphia and Chicago	62	131	17	7	155	.955
Bresnahan, New York	93	151	14	8	173	.954
Carney, Boston	71	89	12	5	106	.953
Titus, Philadelphia	140	258	21	14	293	.952
Seymour, Cincinnati	130	308	20	17	345	.951
Schulte, Chicago	20	34	3	2	39	.949
Barclay, St. Louis and Boston	127	197	9	12	218	.945
Dolan, Cincinnati	102	157	13	11	181	.939
Wicker, Chicago	20	30	1	2	33	.939
Dobbs, Brooklyn	92	200	6	14	220	.936
Geler, Boston	137	243	20	19	282	.933
Jones, Chicago	97	128	8	10	146	.932
McCormick, New York and Pittsburg	120	182	10	15	207	.928
Browne, New York	149	201	20	18	239	.925
Slagle, Chicago	120	194	15	18	227	.921
Magee, Philadelphia	95	156	19	15	190	.921
Gessler, Brooklyn	88	170	15	16	201	.920
Lush, Philadelphia	33	54	3	5	62	.919
Krueger, Pittsburg	33	52	5	6	63	.905
Cannell, Boston	93	135	5	16	156	.897
Donlin, Cincinnati and New York	90	131	9	18	158	.886
Gilbert, Pittsburg	25	30	0	5	35	.857

INDIVIDUAL FIELDING—(Continued).

PITCHERS.

Name and Club.	G.	P.O.	A.	E.	T.C.	P.O.
Briggs, Chicago	34	16	54	0	70	1.000
Taylor, L., New York	37	20	87	1	108	.991
Leever, Pittsburg	34	11	67	1	79	.987
Phillippe, Pittsburg	21	8	41	1	50	.980
Kellum, Cincinnati	31	16	64	2	82	.976
Poole, Brooklyn	24	6	65	2	73	.973
Scanlan, Pittsburg and Brooklyn	17	11	20	1	32	.969
Ewing, Cincinnati	26	10	50	2	62	.968
McNichol, Boston	17	1	23	1	30	.967
Flaherty, Pittsburg	29	24	87	4	115	.965
Mathewson, New York	48	32	116	6	154	.961
Weimer, Chicago	37	37	81	5	123	.959
Corridon, Chicago and Philadelphia	24	14	78	4	96	.958
McPherson, Philadelphia	15	7	38	2	47	.957
Willis, Boston	43	39	110	7	156	.955
Walker, Cincinnati	24	9	55	3	67	.955
Taylor, J., St. Louis	41	14	109	6	129	.953
McFarland, St. Louis	32	13	106	6	125	.952
Mitchell, Philadelphia and Brooklyn	21	11	69	4	84	.952
Nichols, St. Louis	36	13	84	5	102	.951
Lundgren, Chicago	31	21	56	4	81	.951
Miller, Pittsburg	19	2	34	2	38	.947
Case, Pittsburg	18	13	39	3	55	.945
Wilhelm, Boston	39	10	90	7	107	.935
Harper, Cincinnati	35	12	58	5	75	.933
Brown, Chicago	26	20	50	5	75	.933
Wittse, New York	25	11	54	5	70	.929
Cronin, Brooklyn	40	18	84	8	110	.927
Fisher, Boston	31	19	30	4	53	.925
McGinnity, New York	51	28	127	13	168	.923
Fraser, Philadelphia	42	28	87	10	125	.920
Sparks, Philadelphia	26	11	35	4	50	.920
Pittenger, Boston	38	22	114	12	148	.919
Hahn, Cincinnati	35	21	80	9	110	.918
Wicker, Chicago	30	18	33	5	56	.911
O'Neill, St. Louis	25	13	68	8	89	.910
Lynch, Pittsburg	27	11	49	6	66	.909
Duggleby, Philadelphia	32	9	69	8	86	.907
Jones, Brooklyn	46	16	78	10	104	.904
Garvin, Brooklyn	23	16	64	9	89	.899
Ames, New York	16	5	25	4	35	.886
Sutthoff, Cincinnati and Philadelphia	31	11	57	9	77	.883

CATCHERS.

Name and Club.	G.	P.O.	A.	E.	P.B.	T.C.	P.C.
Warner, New York	86	427	115	10	5	557	.973
Carisch, Pittsburg	22	89	32	2	2	125	.968
O'Neill, J., Chicago	49	256	62	6	5	329	.967
Byers, St. Louis	16	84	15	3	1	103	.961
Bowerman, New York	79	413	96	12	9	530	.960
Ritter, Brooklyn	57	249	88	12	4	353	.954
Peltz, Cincinnati	64	255	89	9	8	361	.953
Kling, Chicago	104	499	135	17	16	667	.951
Schlei, Cincinnati	88	384	123	12	14	533	.951
Smith, H., Pittsburg	44	153	61	8	3	225	.951
McLean, St. Louis	24	126	29	7	1	154	.948
Bergen, Brooklyn	93	414	151	24	8	597	.946
Moran, Boston	72	326	114	20	8	468	.940
Zearfoss, St. Louis	25	107	33	5	4	149	.940

INDIVIDUAL FIELDING-CATCHERS-(Continued).

Name and Club.	G.	P.O.	A.	E.	P.B.	T.C.	P.C.
Phelps, Pittsburg	91	360	97	17	13	487	.938
Roth, Philadelphia	65	241	76	14	7	338	.938
Grady, St. Louis	77	323	77	19	12	431	.928
Marshall, Phila., New York, Boston	20	81	39	7	3	130	.923
Doolin, Philadelphia	96	411	149	37	11	608	.921
Needham, Boston	77	326	140	27	16	509	.916

NATIONAL LEAGUE PITCHERS' RECORDS, 1904.

Games won and lost, with percentage of all pitchers who participated in ten or more games in the championship campaign:

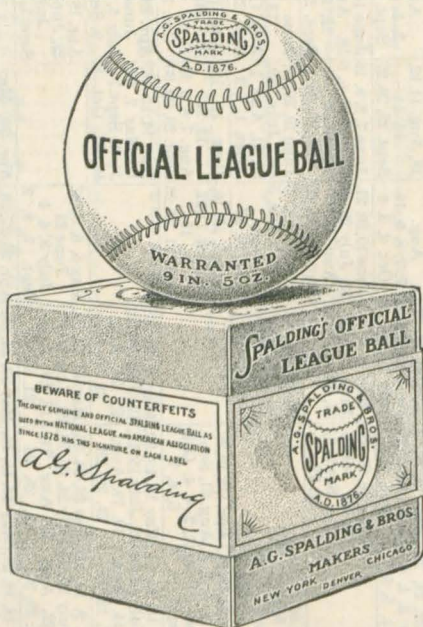
Name and Club	No. Games Pitched	Ex. in Games	Tie Games	Shut- out Games	Games Won.	Games Lost.	P.C. of Vic.
McGinnity, New York....	51	7	2	9	35	8	.814
Wiltse, New York.....	24	0	0	2	13	3	.813
Matthewson, New York..	48	2	1	4	33	12	.733
Harper, Cincinnati.....	35	3	2	6	23	9	.719
Flaherty, Pittsburg.....	29	1	0	5	19	9	.679
Case, Pittsburg	18	1	0	3	10	5	.667
Lundgren, Chicago.....	31	3	1	2	17	9	.654
Wicker, Chicago.....	30	2	0	4	17	9	.654
Walker, Cincinnati.....	24	3	0	2	15	8	.652
Briggs, Chicago.....	34	3	0	3	19	11	.633
Leever, Pittsburg.....	34	2	2	1	18	11	.621
Nichols, St. Louis.....	36	3	1	3	21	13	.618
Kellum, Cincinnati.....	31	2	1	1	15	10	.600
Brown, Chicago.....	26	0	0	4	15	10	.600
Elliott, Cin. & New York	12	0	0	1	3	2	.600
Weimer, Chicago.....	37	1	1	5	20	14	.588
Taylor, L., New York....	37	0	0	5	21	15	.588
Lynch, Pittsburg.....	27	0	0	1	15	11	.577
Corridon, Chi. & Phila...	24	2	2	0	11	10	.524
Taylor, John, St. Louis..	41	3	0	2	20	19	.513
Phillippe, Pittsburg.....	21	1	0	3	10	10	.500
Miller, Pittsburg.....	19	1	0	2	7	7	.500
Duggleby, Philadelphia ..	32	2	0	2	12	13	.480
Hahn, Cincinnati.....	35	3	1	2	16	18	.471
Ewing, Cincinnati.....	26	2	0	0	11	13	.458
McFarland, St. Louis....	32	1	0	1	14	18	.438
Scanlan, Pitts. & B'klyn..	17	1	0	3	7	9	.438
Willis, Boston.....	43	4	0	2	18	25	.419
Pittenger, Boston.....	38	2	1	5	15	21	.417
O'Neill, St. Louis.....	25	2	0	1	10	14	.417
Wilhelm, Boston.....	39	2	1	3	14	20	.412
Jones, Brooklyn.....	46	3	0	0	17	25	.405
Ames, New York.....	16	2	2	0	4	6	.400
Corbett, St. Louis.....	14	0	0	0	5	8	.385
Fraser, Philadelphia.....	42	0	0	3	14	24	.368
Sutthoff, Cin. & Phila...	31	1	0	0	11	19	.367
Poole, Brooklyn	24	1	0	1	8	14	.364
Cronin, Brooklyn.....	40	1	0	4	12	23	.343
Mitchell, Phil. & Brook...	21	0	1	1	6	12	.333
Sparks, Philadelphia.....	26	0	0	3	7	16	.304
Fisher, Boston.....	31	2	0	2	6	16	.273
Garvin, Brooklyn.....	23	2	0	2	5	15	.250
Camnitz, Pittsburg.....	10	0	0	0	1	4	.200
McNichol, Boston.....	17	0	0	1	2	12	.143
McPherson, Philadelphia.	15	2	1	1	1	12	.077

Record of pitchers who participated in less than ten games:

Name and Club	No. Games Pitched in.	Ex. In'g Games.	Tie Games.	Shut- out Games.	Games Won.	Games Lost.	P.C. of Vic.
Durham, Brooklyn.....	2	0	0	0	2	0	1000
Thatcher, Brooklyn.....	1	0	0	0	1	0	1000
McGinley, St. Louis.....	3	0	0	0	2	1	.667
Robitaille, Pittsburg.....	9	0	1	0	4	3	.571
Caldwell, Philadelphia....	6	0	1	0	2	2	.500
Pfister, Pittsburg.....	3	0	0	0	1	1	.500
Reisling, Brooklyn.....	7	0	0	1	3	4	.429
Lee, Pittsburg.....	5	0	0	0	1	2	.333
Sanders, St. Louis.....	4	0	0	0	1	2	.333
Dunleavy, St. Louis.....	7	0	0	0	1	4	.200
Brackenridge, Phila.....	7	0	0	0	0	1	.000
Lush, Philadelphia.....	7	0	0	0	0	6	.000
Reidy, Brooklyn.....	6	0	0	0	0	4	.000
Milligan, New York.....	5	0	0	0	0	1	.000
Carney, Boston.....	4	0	0	0	0	4	.000
Groth, Chicago.....	3	0	0	0	0	2	.000
Barry, Thos., Phila.....	1	0	0	0	0	1	.000
Koukalik, Brooklyn.....	1	0	0	0	0	1	.000
Doescher, Brooklyn.....	2	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Stewart, Boston.....	2	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Bowerman, New York.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Delehanty, Boston.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Dunn, New York.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Moren, Pittsburg.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Veil, Pittsburg.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	.000

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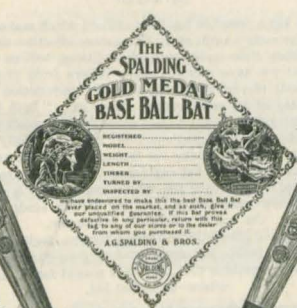
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 No. GMB. Spalding Boys' Gold Medal Plain Bat, golden finish, boys' size. " .50

Boys'

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No. M. The Spalding Mushroom Plain Bat, Special Finish. Each, \$1.00
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Yours truly,
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Yours truly,
JAMES J. CALLAHAN,
Manager Chicago American League Club.

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Of Chicago National League Club.

CHICAGO, Oct. 14, 1903.

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Yours truly,
WM. GLEASON,
Captain Philadelphia National League B. B. Club.

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The Spalding Mushroom Bat, introduced by Jack Pickett, receives my hearty endorsement. My experience as a ball player enables me to thoroughly appreciate its good qualities.

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| No. 2X. | Spalding Black Band Bat, extra quality ash. | " 25c. |



No. 3X



No. 2XB



No. 10

SPALDING BOYS' BATS

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| No. 2XB. | Spalding Boys' Bat, selected quality ash, polished and varnished; antique finish. | Each, 10c. |
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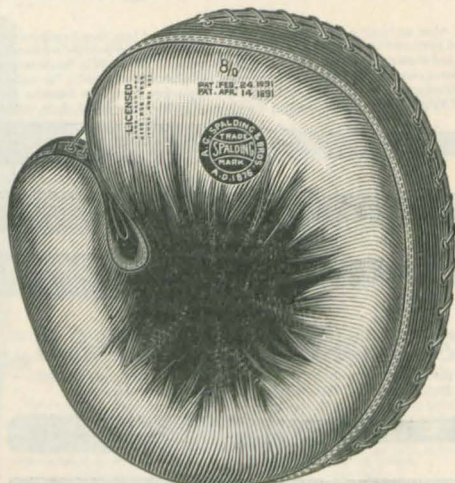
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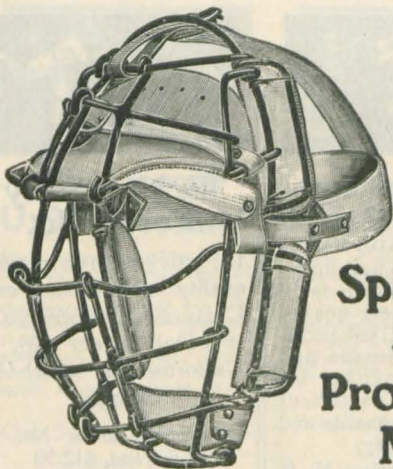
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Pants, any style; Club Special
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CONSISTING OF: Amateur Special
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Amateur Special Stockings,
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COLORS:

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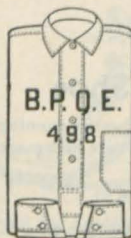
Net price to clubs ordering for Entire Team. . . . Suit, **\$8.00**

COLORS:

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Black, Green, Maroon, Royal Blue,
Navy Blue, Brown, Cardinal.

CONSISTING OF: Interscholastic Shirt, any style; Interscholastic Pants, any style; Interscholastic Stockings, No. 2R; Interscholastic Cap, any style; Interscholastic Web Belt.

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We have on hand a special flannel, Royal Purple, dyed particularly for teams connected with the Order of Elks. While we do not recommend that this be made up solid color in suits, still it makes a beautiful combination as trimming on white flannel, and we are making these uniforms now in that way in our Nos. 0, 1 and 2 qualities only.



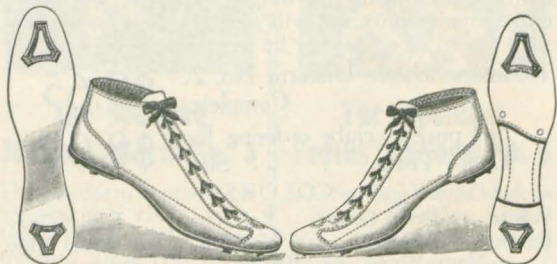
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